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HOMINY—Frank P. Morgan.
MORGAN HILL—J. C. Sams.
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NEW SALEM—John S. Murray.
SWANNANOA—T. J. Pope.
TRINITY—Robert Bryson.
WHITE ROCK—L. Y. Israel.

The next Session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association will be held with the Church at HOMINY, beginning Thursday before the First Sunday in September, 1884.

PROCEEDINGS.

THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION met in its Second Annual Session at Berea Baptist Church, Aug. 30th, 1883.

Spent thirty minutes in prayer meeting, conducted by the pastor, Elder J. M. Hilliard.

Introductory sermon was preached by Elder L. W. Sams.

TEXT—"Ye are the salt of the earth."—Mat. 5:13

Benediction by J. M. Hilliard. Recess until 1 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Re-assembled at 1 P. M. Sang hymn,

"I love Thy Kingdom, Lord,"

and Elder John Mitchell led in prayer.

The Association was then called to order by the Moderator, Elder L. W. Sams.

Appointed John W. Starnes and C. M. Williams Reading Clerks, and letters were read and delegates' names enrolled as follows:

Asheville—Elders John Mitchell, W. W. Wells and brethren C. M. Williams, C. C. Mathews, John W. Starnes and J. D. Brevard.

Hominy—Frank P. Morgan, E. L. Clark, Judson E. Morgan, L. S. Clark, P. P. Morgan and Wm. H. Young.

Big Ivy—Elder L. W. Sams, A. J. Greenwood, F. M. Haynes and M. H. Burlesson.

Morgan Hill—Elders W. T. Bradley, S. J. Morgan, and brethren J. C. Sams, R. K. Freeman, John P. Morgan and L. O. McDaris.

White Rock—Elder E. J. Morgan.

Cane Creek—J. B. Freeman, A. H. Pinkerton, L. McDonald, James Pinkerton, B. F. Spivey, J. F. Miller, John Mitchell and Henry Grant.

Berea—Elder J. M. Hilliard, John A. Reed, B. F. Fortune, Thomas Hall, W. D. Allison, William Keider, B. G. Shoap and Zeb. V. Brevard.

Flat Creek—J. H. Sams, A. Lochart, J. T. Myers and O. T. Bell.

At this point an opportunity was given for churches not represented in the organization, to unite with the Association, and received from the Old Salem Association, Gash's Creek, New Salem and North Fork Swannanoa; from New Found Associa-

tion, Bethel and two newly constituted churches, Swannanoa and Antioch. Delegates enrolled as follows :

Gash's Creek—J. R. Powers, John Cordell, L. F. Sorrels, R. P. Jones and Wm. H. Brown.
Bethel—Thos. P. Brookshire, John Foster, James Miller, F. P. Ingle, J. M. Ingle and M. Sluder.
North Fork Swannanoa—Elder T. K. Brown, J. Y. Walker, and Daniel Burnette.
New Salem—M. A. Lance and John C. Murray.
Antioch—J. H. Woodward, M. H. Carson and D. W. Carter.
Swannanoa—Elder S. W. Mitchell, Murray Smith and James Denney.

The Association proceeded to the election of officers, and the following was the result :

MODERATOR—Elder L. W. Sams.
CLERK AND TREASURER—Elder W. W. Wells.
HISTORIAN—C. M. Williams.

The Moderator appointed the following committees :

ORDER OF BUSINESS—C. M. Williams, Elder J. M. Hilliard and John P. Morgan.
CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS—Elders W. W. Wells, S. J. Morgan, and brother J. B. Freeman.
FOREIGN MISSIONS—Elders John Mitchell, G. W. Harman and W. T. Bradley.
EDUCATION—Elders G. W. Harman, E. J. Morgan and brother John W. Starnes.
PERIODICALS—Elders J. M. Hilliard, C. M. Williams and John A. Reed.
STATE OF THE CHURCHES—Elder T. K. Brown, J. H. Woodward and W. H. Young.
TEMPERANCE—J. B. Freeman, A. J. Greenwood and J. D. Brevard.
SUNDAY SCHOOLS—Elder W. W. Wells, J. C. Sams and John P. Morgan.
FINANCE—Frank P. Morgan and J. H. Sams.
TIME, PLACE AND ANNUAL SERMON FOR NEXT YEAR—E. L. Clark, R. K. Freeman and Thos. P. Brookshire.
PREACHING—Pastor and delegates of Berea church, M. H. Carson and A. H. Pinkerton.

An invitation was extended to visiting brethren to take seats in the body.

Accepted by Elder G. W. Harman, Pastor at Marion and Old Fort, N. C., and brother J. H. Sams from Louden, Tenn.

Report of committee on Order of Business read by C. M. Williams, and adopted.

REPORT ON ORDER OF BUSINESS.

I. Meet at 9:30 A. M. Devote half an hour to devotional exercises. Take recess at 11 A. M., to hear a sermon; meet again at 1 P. M., and adjourn at pleasure *each day*.

II. Reports of committees in the following order: (1) Foreign Missions, (2) Conventional Missions, (3) Education, (4) Periodicals, (5) State of the

churches, (6) Temperance, (7) Sunday Schools, (8) Finance, (9) Time, Place and Annual Sermon of next Association.

III. Report of Executive Board.
IV. Report of Historian.
V. Resolutions.
VI. Appoint Correspondents.
VII. Miscellaneous Business.
VIII. Adjourn.

The following brethren having arrived were welcomed to seats:

Elders Joseph E. Carter and T. Bright, correspondents from Henderson county Association. Elder Carter is pastor at Hendersonville. Elder Bright is agent of the Board of Education and comes to represent its interests.

On motion adjourned subject to order of business.

Prayer by Elder W. T. Bradley.

FRIDAY.

9:30 A. M. Spent 30 minutes in prayer meeting conducted by Elder T. Bright of Hendersonville.

Association called to order by Moderator.

Read and approved minutes of Thursday.

Renewed the call for correspondents, and Elders J. W. Anderson and J. J. Fox reported themselves as correspondents from the French Broad Association and were cordially invited to seats.

On motion, Elder W. J. Wilkie was invited to a seat as a visiting minister from Henderson county.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by Elder John Mitchell and made the special order for one o'clock.

Report on Conventional Missions was read by W. W. Wells. Motion to adopt. Remarks by W. W. Wells, J. C. Sams, Elder John Mitchel and T. K. Brown.

Took recess for preaching. Sermon by Elder Joseph E. Carter of Hendersonville.

TEXT—"But the word of God is not bound."—2d. Tim. 2:9.

The sermon was one of unusual interest, showing the power of the unbound word of God. Though its minsters may be bound yet the WORD OF GOD IS NOT BOUND. Closing hymn,

"Did Christ oe'r sinners weep."

Prayer by Elder John Mitchell. Benediction by the Moderator.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Resumed the consideration of the report on Conventional Missions.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

The letters from the churches show that about $270 have been raised for Conventional Missions the past year. Some of this has been expended for services in our bounds, but much has gone to support the missionary in other fields. In our association t ere is some mission territory which ought to be supplied. We would mention a point, as deserving the attention and aid of our Executive Board, the community of Reems' Creek.

The work of Conventional Missions as carried on by the Western Baptist Convention should have our hearty support. Much remains to be done in Western North Carolina.

We would also call attention to the fact that the Southern Baptist Convention, through her Home Mission Board, is doing a work among the Indians and on the frontiers, which commends itself to our sympathy and is worthy of our aid. The Vice-President of the Home Mission Board, for North Carolina, requests this association to raise $65 next year for Home Missions. We recommend that this amount be arranged for, during this sitting of the body.

Respectfully submitted. W. W. WELLS,
S. J. MORGAN,
J. B. FREEMAN.

Carrying out the suggestion in the report, the following amounts were pledged by the delegates for Home Missions of the Southern Baptist Convention :

Asheville, $15; Berea, Cane Creek and Morgan Hill, $7.50 each; Flat Creek, Big Ivy, Bethel and Hominy, $5 each; Swannanoa, $3; Antioch, $2.50; Gash's Creek, $2. Total, $65.

Took up the report on Foreign Missions. Report re-read by Elder John Mitchell. Remarks by Elder J. L. M. Curry, President of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. Curry's speech was one of unusual power, thoroughly stirring the heart of all who love the Lord Jesus. He informed the body that she was asked to raise next year $100 for foreign missions. The following subscriptions were immediately made by the delegates :

Asheville, $35; Berea, Cane Creek, Flat Creek, Hominy and Morgan Hill, $10 each; Big Ivy, New Salem, Gash's Creek and Bethel, $5 each; North Fork of Swannanoa, $3; Swannanoa and Antioch, $2.50 each.

Sunday Schools :

Asheville, $25; Cane Creek, $5; Hominy and Berea, $2.50 each.

Individuals :

Elder T. K. Brown, $10; J. D. Brevard $1, *paid;* Elder E. J. Morgan $1, and J. C. Sams $1. Total, $161.

When the amount was announced by the clerk, Dr. Curry expressed his gratitude to the association for the hearty response made to the call of his board, and the report was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"The field is the *world*." "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature." God has greatly blessed the efforts of our brethren to carry out this commission of our Lord Jesus Christ. While we have been behind the brethren of some other denominations, in *effort*, we have exceeded them all in *success*. For this we should feel devoutly thankful, and greatly multiply our contributions and prayers and work.

The Southern Baptist Convention has in China 19 missionaries and 19 native assistants and 472 members. In Africa 6 missionaries, and 3 native assistants and 92 members. In Italy 4 Americans, and 10 Italian missionaries and 175 members. In Brazil 4 missionaries and 42 members. In Mexico 5 missionaries and 200 members. The amount contributed last year by our Southern churches, was, as reported, $56,804.71, not more than 6 or 7 cents per member.

This could be easily doubled or quadrupled this year, and ought to be done. The Board was called upon at its regular meeting in June, to enlarge the annual appropriations to each and every one of its missions. All our brethren in foreign lands are finding open doors set before them and are calling for more laborers, to enter in and possess the land, and for more money to support them. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."—Matt. 9:38.

And as you pray work.

JOHN MITCHELL,
W. T BRADLEY,
G. W. HARMAN.

Report on Education was read by Elder G W. Harman.

Motion to adopt. Remarks by Elder Jos. E. Carter. At the close of brother Carter's speech, which was one of deep interest and conclusive arguments, the association adjourned.

Prayer by Elder G. W. Harman.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Association assembled pursuant to adjournment. Devotional exercises conducted by the Moderator.

On motion appointed a committee to nominate an Executive Board.

Committee:

Elders E. J. Morgan, W. T. Bradley, John Mitchell and J. M. Hilliard.

A communication was read by Elder J. Mitchell from John K. Connally asking the association to take up a public collection for two Baptist churches—one in Sparta and another in Jefferson.

Report on Education re-read by the chairman of the committee and its consideration resumed.

Remarks by Elder T. Bright. On motion of Elder W. T. Bradley all further speeches on this subject was limited to 10 minutes.

Suspended the order of business with regard to sermon at 11 o'clock. Further remarks by Elder J. E. Carter. On motion, a collection was taken up for ministerial education to aid the beneficiaries at Judson College.

Collection as follows :

J. C. Sams, J. Mitchell, T. K. Brown, P. P. Morgan, F. P. Ingle, J. H. Stradley and John H. Cordell, $1 each; J. H. Sams, Daniel Burnette, John P. Morgan, D. W. Carter, J. H. Woodward, A. Lochart, Jas. H. Sams, W. M. Porter, S. F. Miller and Judson E. Morgan, 50 cents each; Frank P. Morgan, E. L. Clark, L. S. Clark, T. P. Brookshire, *A Friend*, Mrs. Ray, Mrs. Clonts, W. H. Young, C. C. Matthews and *A Friend*, 25 cents each; W. J. Kiesler, 10 cts.; Hat collection, $2.50; A. Lochart, $5, his subscription at last association. Total cash, $22.10.

The following pledges were also made :

J. D. Brevard, $5 in goods. Brother Brevard's subscription was paid the week after the association adjourned. Mrs. Mary Alexander $1, T. J. Pope $5, E. J. Morgan $2, P. L. Harris and Joseph Cordell 1 bushel of wheat each; Mrs M. E. Shoap, Mrs. Elizabeth Shoap, Mrs. Thos. Hall and Mrs. Mary Merrell 1 bushel of dried fruit each; Miss Love Cordell, Mrs. Brevard, Mrs. Stroup, Mrs. Dennie, Mrs. Harris, Miss Mary Hall and Mrs. Carver 1 pair of socks each; James H. Cordell 1 bushel of potatoes. Estimating wheat and dried fruit at $1 per bnshel; socks at 25 cents per pair, and potatoes at 50 cents per bushel, the amount of pledges is $21.25. Cash and pledges $43.35.

Report was then adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We are gratified to note the increasing interest in the education of the rising generation. There is indeed, a grave responsibility resting upon parents and guardians in this matter. The welfare of our country, the efficiency of our churches, the influence of our denomination, and the personal happiness of our children largely depend upon our educational enterprises. Our academies, seminaries and colleges should receive our hearty support and liberal patronage. We especially commend to the brethren of this association Judson College located at Hendersonville. Through your prayers, contributions and patronage you may firmly establish it, and make it a means of blessing to your children, and a great center of power and influence for generations yet unborn. There is no time to be lost. Let us go forward to meet the responsibilities and discharge the duties that God has imposed upon us, and at last we shall look back with grateful pleasure upon all the sacrifices we have made in behalf of this noble institution.

G. W. HARMAN,
E. J. MORGAN.

Report on periodicals was read by Elder J. M. Hilliard. Motion to adopt. Remarks by Elders Jos. E. Carter, J. M. Hilliard and

W. W. Wells. Brother Hilliard represents the *Biblical Recorder* by request. On motion, time was given to take subscribers for the *Blue Ridge Baptist*, and several subscribers were received.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We are glad to know that our churches are becoming more and more interested, each year, in the Master's work; and we attribute this increase of interest to their becoming more acquainted with the work of our boards, which information they have received by reading our religious papers. In order that every church may be fully acquainted with the work of the denomination in Western North Carolina, we recommend that they take and read the *Blue Ridge Baptist*. We also recommend the *Biblical Recorder*, that they may know what is being done in the State at large. The *Foreign Mission Journal* is filled from month to month with notes from the foreign field. *Kind Words* and *Young Reaper* are worthy of place in all our Sunday Schools.

J. M. Hilliard,
C. M. Williams,
John A. Reed.

Took recess one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Report on the state of the churches read by Elder T. K. Brown. Motion to adopt. Remarks by Elder T. K. Brown, J. B. Freeman, Elders John Mitchell and S. W. Mitchell, J. C. Sams, Elder W. Haynes, of Haywood; Elder E. J. Morgan and T. J. Pope.

The following collection was taken to aid the church at Swannanoa to complete their house of worship:

J. C. Sams, $2; W. M. Porter, J. D. Brevard, J. Mitchell, Miss M. E. Young, James Pinkerton, J. F. Miller and C. C. Mathews, $1 each; R. P. Jones, F. P. Morgan, J. C. Murray, Daniel Burnette, 50 cents each; J. M. Case, M. A. Lance, L. McDonald, 25 cents each. Total cash, $11.75.

The following was subscribed to be paid in 60 days:

W. H. Young, Miss Sallie Alexander and Henry Grant, $1 each; J. H. Cordell, 50 cents; Mrs. M. E. Harris, 25 cents; B. F. Fortune, $2; Hominy church, $3; Berea and N. Fork Swannanoa, $2 each; Asheville, $5. Total pledges, $17.75. Cash and pledges, $29.50.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

The majority of the churches, in our Association, are in a prosperous condition. We are glad to note the fact that near two hundred and fifty members have been added to the churches represented in this meeting. "Let us thank God and take courage." Two new churches have been organized during the last year—Antioch and Swannanoa. While the majority of our churches are prospering, some are not doing so well. They are not using the energy or

working in the various departments of christian labor as they should. There are some church houses in our bounds unfinished. Comparatively small amounts would complete them. We recommend our churches to meet twice a month, if possible. Experience and observation teach us that it adds greatly to the spiritual strength of the church. There are some churches that are not paying their pastors' salary, and those are the churches that are not prospering. They need to be stirred up to a sense of their duty.

T. K. BROWN,
J. H. WOODWARD.

Report on Temperance read by J. B. Freeman. Motion to adopt. Remarks by J. B. Freeman. Brother J. H. Cordell offers the following resolution as an amendment :

RESOLVED, That we advise the churches to exclude a member for getting drunk—for the first offense.

Remarks by W. W. Wells, J. D. Brevard, John Mitchell and T. K. Brown. The amendment was lost. The Association thought that as every case must rest upon its own merit, the churches should be left unadvised as to the severity with which they should deal with drunkenness. Report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The churches of this Association are *sound* on the subject of temperance. Yet we are aware of the fact that many of our churches are troubled with dram drinkers. We are glad to know, however, that the Baptists are doing all they can to have a membership that will taste not and handle not the unclean thing. The reports from the great temperance movements all over our land give by no means an uncertain sound. We are, therefore, encouraged to work on until *victory* is won.

J. B. FREEMAN,
A. J. GREENWOOD,
J. D. BREVARD.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by W. W. Wells and made the special order for 9:30 o'clock Sunday morning.

Report on Finance read and adopted. (See statistical table.)

Report on time, place, etc,, read by the Clerk and adopted.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE, ETC.

Time—Thursday before the First Sunday in September, 1884.
Place—Hominy Baptist Church.
To Preach the Annual Sermon—Elder John Mitchell.
Alternate—Elder J. M. Hilliard.

Elder Washington Haynes was welcomed as a visitor from Haywood.

Committee on nomination of Executive Board reported. Report adopted. (See 2d page.)

Ordered that the Clerk be paid $10 for his services, and that he superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

Raised an additional fund to supplement the minute fund, which amounts were added to the amounts sent up by the churches, and appears in the statistical table.

Resolution of thanks by Elder E. J. Morgan:

RESOLVED, That we tender our sincere thanks to the brethren and citizens of this communiiy for the very hospitable manner in which this Association has been entertained.

Resolution adopted by a rising vote.

Appointed the followlng correspondents:

To Henderson County Association.—Elders W. W. Wells, John Mitchell, E. J. Morgan, T. K. Brown, S. W. Mitchell, S. J. Morgan, J. M. Hilliard and Brother J. B. Freeman.

To French Broad Association.—Elders John Mitchell, W. T. Bradley, J. M. Hilliard, S. J. Morgan, L. W. Sams, E. J. Morgan, T. K. Brown and brethren John P. Morgan, A. J. Greenwood, M. H. Carson, J. C. Sams, Jas. Cordell, J. H. Woodward, D. W. Carter and F. M. Haynes.

To New Found Association.—Elder E. J. Morgan, A. J. Greenwood and E. A. Reed.

To Mitchell County Association.—John P. Morgan.

To Transylvania County Association.—Elders E. J. Morgan and W. W. Wells.

To Green River Association.—L. McDonald.

On motion it is resolved that any brother of this association attending a sister association is authorized to act as correspondent from this body.

Read and corrected minutes up to this evening. Called roll and marked absentees.

On motion adjourned to 9:30 A. M. to-morrow. Benediction by Elder J. W. Anderson.

SUNDAY.

Association met at 9:30 A. M. in Sunday School Mass Meeting. Called to order by the Moderator.

Prayer by Elders J. W. Anderson and Washington Haynes.

Report on Sunday Schools re-read by the clerk.

Motion to adopt.

Remarks by J. C. Sams, W. W. Wells, J. W. Anderson, A. B. Brown of Hendersonville, T. K. Brown and J. P. Morgan.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

As we look upon the field around us, and learn its moral state, we are mort fied to know, that wickedness stalks abroad in high places. Sabbath breaking

is common among most classes, church members not always being exceptions. We boast a Christian nation and yet we are pained to see how irreverently our government treats the Sabbath. By order of the Congress of these United States her mails are carried on Sunday as on other days. By her permission, and with the sanction of State Legislation, rail road companies run their trains as though God had not said "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy." When the week's work is done and the hour of business is hushed, and the Sabbath morning is come, the husband sits down, with his wife, to read from the old family Bible, and suddenly the stillness and sweet solemnity of the hour is broken by the shrill scream of the engine. Or it may be our congregation has met for worship, the preacher has read some solemn passages of scripture, and a sweet song of Zion has been sung, and a throne of grace is about to be approached through prayer, when they are all disturbed by the thundering of the locomotive as she passes near by. But the preacher and people can only remember that the laws of our country guarantee unto them this privilege. Shall this, as well as many other vices, which are practiced on Sunday, continue? Our answer is, if possible, NO, a thousand times NO., Where is the remedy? When the prophet of old came to the city of Jerricho, they showed him the stream that ran by the walls, they told of those who died of thirst, and of those who died from drinking those poisonous waters. He did not attempt to heal the stream as it flowed, but made his way into the mountain, where he found among the gorges the fountain of the stream. Here, said he, must we heal it. He put the blessed salt into the spring-head, and in the name of the Lord declared "there shall no more be in them bitterness or death." So we say our hope is not in the old, but in the children. The governing idea, then, with us, should be, that where ever there is a child upon the face of the earth, that can be reached, we should seek to surround him with the holiest influences, fill his heart with the choicest graces, and save him from the infernal agencies that are busy at work for his destruction. We should look at the very foundation of Christian character and seek to pre-occupy the citadel with Christian graces, and heavenly virtues. In no way can this be done more effectually than through the Sunday School. Reverence for the Sabbath will promote Sunday School interest, and interest in the Sunday School will create reverence for the Sabbath. We look with pleasure upon the work being done in our association; 15 churches are represented and 15 report Sunday Schools.

The Sunday School Board of the Western Baptist Convention is doing a gooo work. Her missionaries are entering uncultivated fields, organizing new schools and circulating the Bible among the destitute. They should have our warmest sympathy, our prayers, and a part of our contributions.

W. W. WELLS,
J. C. SAMS,
J P. MORGAN.

Resolution by the clerk :

RESOLVED, That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the choir for the very excellent music which they have made during the sitting of this body.

Resolution adopted by a standing vote.

Resolution as to collection:

RESOLVED, That we take a collection at the close of the sermon to be applied to Conventional and Foreign Missions.

Ordered that the Moderator appoint delegates to the Western Baptist Conventiou.

On motion, adjourned to time and place.

Closing remarks by the Moderator:

"We have great reason to thank God for his manifest presence from the first prayer; in all the prayers and speeches we have seen the evidence of God's Holy Spirit. I have attended the French Broad Association for thirty-five years without a break; I have visited several associations during my ministry, but in no one have I ever seen so much evidence of God's presence, or a meeting so characterized by spirituality. In the infancy of our association we should thank God and take courage. Let us attempt great things for God, and expect great things from him."

Sermon at 11 A. M. by Elder E. J. Morgan.

TEXT:—Rom. 3 24.—Theme: Justification.

Collection at the close of sermon for missions, $15.74. Prayer by the Moderator.

Thus closed a very pleasant, and we hope a very profitable meeting.

L. W. SAMS,
Moderator.

W. W. WELLS, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

Section 1. This body shall be known as the BUNCOMBE CUONTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE II.—CONSTITUENCY.

SEC. 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for. PROVIDED, however, That any church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

SEC. 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor, and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

ARTICLE III.—OFFICERS.

SEC. 1. The Officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

SEC. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE VI.—OBJECT.

SEC. 1 It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the Western Baptist Convention. the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

ARTICLE V.—COMMITTEES.

SEC. 1 At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Periodicals, State of the churches, Temperance, Sunday Schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place, and Annual Sermon of the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of said committees to report, in writing, on the subjects given them in charge while the association is in session.

ARTICLE VI.—EXECUTIVE BOARD.

SEC. 1. This body shall, at each annual meeting, appoint an Executive Board, consisting of one from each church in this association. The said Board shall have in charge the work, and put into execution the plans of the association during its recess.

ARTICLE VII.—CHURCH LETTERS.

SEC. 1. The church letter shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; name of members delegated to the association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their post office; number baptised, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded, and dead during the year; number and sex of members, time of prayer meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, home missions, foreign missions, education, Sunday school and Bible missions, and if for any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday school to be as follows: State whether Baptist or Union; number enrolled and average attendance during the year: number and kind of papers used in the school; name and post office of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.—BY LAWS.

SEC. 1 This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parlamentary Practice.

ARTICLE IX.—MEETING.

SEC. 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.—PRINTING.

SEC. 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI—CORRESPONDENCE.

Sec. 1. This association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII—FAITH.

Sec. 1. This association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men, as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Sec. 2. As an abstract of Faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII—AMENDMENT.

Sec. 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Pastors' Salary.	Paid for Minutes	Paid for Conventional Missions.	Paid for Foreign Missions.	Paid for S. S. and Bible Missions.	Paid for Ministerial Education.	Paid for other objects.	Pledged for Foreign Missions.	Pledged for H'me Miss. S S Bap Con.	Prayer Meetings.
Asheville,	John Mitchell,	$800 00	$3 75	$11 38	13 73	$8 12	$47 45	384 47	*61 00	15 00	wk.
Antioch,	W. T. Bradley	40 00	1 50						2 50	2 50	
Berea,	J. M. Hilliard,	150 00	1 00	42 50	12 80		5 00	30 00	*12 50	7 50	
Big Ivy,	W. T. Bradley,	50 00	1 50						5 00	5 00	
Bethel,	A. I. Justice,	50 00	2 00		2 12		8 00		5 00	5 00	
Cane Creek,	J. M. Hilliard,	150 00	1 50	47 00			20 00	88 00	*15 00	7 50	
Flat Creek,	S. J. Morgan,	40 00	1 75	2 56	2 56			57 95	10 00	5 00	
Gash's Creek,	J. Miller,	†35 00	1 65						5 00	2 00	
Hominy,	W. W. Wells,	100 00	4 00	37 86	2 00	80	31 79	6 00	*12 50	5 00	wk.
Morgan Hill,	W. T. Bradley,	68 00	2 75	13 72	13 73			15 00	*11 00	7 50	wk.
N F'k Swan'anoa	W. J. Wilkie,	25 00	1 25	22 08		2 85			*13 00		s-w.
New Salem,	T. K. Brown,		75		5 00				5 00		
Swannanoa,	(new church)		65						2 50	3 00	
Trinity,	E. Morgan,		1 00	27 00							wk.
White Rock,	E. J. Morgan and L. Y. Israel.	57 00	1 10	1 50	1 50				*1 00		
		1565 00	26 15	207 60	53 44	11 77	112 24	581 42	161 00	65 00	

†For 35 days. *Church, Sunday Schools and individual members.

GLEANINGS FROM THE LETTERS.

Cane Creek church has two branch Sunday Schools, both of which are run by the church. Asheville and Cane Creek churches support their Sunday Schools from the regular church fund.

Asheville Sunday School takes collections every Sunday as follows: 1st Sunday for Conventional Missions; 2d, for Foreign Missions; 3d, for Sunday School and Bible Missions; 4th, for Sunday School and church expenses; and the 5th for Ministerial Education. They have fitted up an infant class room this year. Asheville church is making some important and attractive improvements in their house of worship

NOTE—If Clerks will write full reports of their work in their letters to the Association, they will appear in the Minutes.—CLERK.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Constituted.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICES.	Sabbath 'f Meet'g	Baptisms.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Dead.	Male Members.	Female Members	Total.
Asheville,	1829	C. M. Williams,	Asheville,	Ey	2	17	2	14	2	3	104	156	260
Antioch,	1883	J. H. Woodward,	Democrat,	3	6	...	...	...	...	1	20	39	59
Berea,	1853	Z. V. Brevard,	Riceville,	2-4	36	21	1	20	1	...	38	54	92
Big Ivy,	1823	A. J. Greenwood,	Barnardsville,	2	29	5	..	61	3	5	75	135	210
Bethel,	.....	James Cowan,	Asheville,	4	1	5	1	8	1	...	42	80	122
Cane Creek,	1806	P M. Freeman,	Fair View,	1-3	16	8	2	4	6	1	92	131	223
Flat Creek,	1811	W. S. Roberts,	Flat Creek,	1	8	7	2	3	2	1	34	65	99
Gash's Creek,	.....	L. P Sales,	Asheville,	....	4	4	..	....	..	3	51	69	120
Hominy,	1812	L. S. Clark,	Hominy Creek,	4	33	...	5	3	1	...	43	68	111
Morgan Hill,	.....	R. K. Freeman,	Morgan Hill,	4	1	1	1	12	4	1	59	81	140
U. Fork Swannanoa,	1828	W. H. Burnette,	Black Mountain,	....	2	...	3	....	7	...	20	33	53
New Salem,	.....	W. R. Murray,	Busbee,	4	....	...	..	....	1	...	13	27	40
Swannanoa,	1883	James Dennis,	Cooper's Station,	....	....	..	..	....	..	...	12	8	20
Trinity,	1874	Maggie Starnes,	Hominy Creek,	1	6	7	..	....	..	...	12	28	40
White Rock,	1881	L. Y. Israel	Hominy Creek,	4	....	...	..	2	2	1	12	17	29
					144	75	17	127	30	16	628	990	1618

*Supported by the church.

S. S. STATISTICS

SUP'TS.	Officers-Teachers	Scholars.	Profesn's in Sch'l	Plan.	Paid for support of School.	Paid for Sunday School Missions.	Paid for Conventional Missions.	Paid for Foreign Missions.	Paid for other objects.
C. M. Williams	16	210	...	Bap.	*	25 46	33 05	31 34	71 33
M. H. Carson,	...	60	5	Bible	$.....	1 40	.....	.....	.....
Z. V. Brevard,	7	45	10	Bap.	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
A J Greenwood	7	75	...	Uni'n	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	..	....	..	Bap.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. B. Freeman,	7	106	7	Bap.	*	.....	.....	.....	9 00
	...	....	...	.....	.....	1 01	.....	.....	.....
	...	....	...	Bap.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
E. L. Clark,	5	80	17	Bap.	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. C. Sams,	5	70	6	Bap.	8 50	4 00	.....	.....	.....
	...	....	...	Uni'n	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	...	....	...	Uni'n	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
T. J. Pope,	...	40	...	Bap.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. H. Bryson,	9	75	10	Uni'n	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
L. Y. Israel,	6	40	...	Bap.	1 50	.....	.....	.....	11 90
	62	801	55		25 00	32 87	33 05	31 34	92 23

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The next session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association will be held with the church at Cane Creek, Thursday before the first Sunday in September, 1885.

PROCEEDINGS.

HOMINY CREEK, N. C., SEPT. 4TH, 1884.

The Buncombe County Baptist Association assembled in the meeting house of the Hominy Baptist church, at 11 a. m., and was called to order by the Moderator, Elder L. W. Sams.

After singing the hymn, "I love thy Kingdom, Lord," the Association was led in prayer by Elder E. Allison, of Transylvania. Sermon by Elder John Mitchell, D. D.

TEXT—"And the Lord said unto to Jacob, Arise, go up to Bethel, and dwell there; and make there an altar unto God, that appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother.'—Gen. 35:1

The Association then took recess for 25 minutes.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association re-assembled at 1:30 o'clock. Sang hymn,

"All hail the power of Jesus' name,"

and was led in prayer by Elder N. S. Jones, of Raleigh Association. Chas. E. Lee and J. G. Pulliam were appointed Reading Clerks, and letters were read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Asheville—Elders John Mitchell, A. D. Blackwood, W. W. Wells and brethren Chas. E. Lee, John W. Starnes, J. G. Pulliam, I. H. Gorenflo, R. R. Porter, C. C. Mathews, J. A. Massagee, Charles A. Moseley, L. B. McBrayer and Jas M. Brookshire.

Big Ivy—Elder L. W. Sams M. Burlesson and John M. McKinney.

Laurie Hill—T. A. Starnes, Joseph Robinson and J. M. Miller.

Gash's Creek—Elder Joseph Miller, B. A. Whitaker, L. F. Sorrels and R. T. Jones.

Flat Creek—Stephen Morgan, A. Lochart and A. E. Arrowood.

Antioch—M. S. Proffit, E. B. Goldsmith, W. A. Carter and Z. J. Carter.

Berea—S. F. Miller, Judson Rice and T. L. Harris.

White Rock—Elders L. Y. Israel and E. J. Morgan, and brethren L. W. Morgan and E. L. Warren.

Cane Creek—Elder J. M. Hilliard, J. B. Freeman, B. F. Spivey, J. G. Spivey and Sidney J. Ashworth.

New Salem—John C. Murray.

Morgan Hill—Elder W. T. Bradley. J. C. Sams, John P. Morgan, R. K. Freeman, Jonathan Morgan and T. C. Morgan.

Bethel—Elder A. I. Justice, F. Sluder, James Miller, A. Ingle and J. M. Ingle.

Hominy—Elder E. Morgan, L. Young, W. F. Clark, A. B. Morgan, P. P. Morgan, Jesse W. Morgan and W. H. Green.

On motion, an opportunity was given for new churches to unite with the Association, whereupon Ebenezer, Macedonia and Pleasant Hill, having been regularly dismissed from the New Found Association, presented letters and were received and delegates enrolled. The Fork's of Ivy and Sugar Camp Branch, having applied, at the last session of the French Broad Association for letters of dismission, which letters were not granted on account of an oversight in the rush of business, and which was explained by a letter from the clerk of the French Broad Association, were received, and delegates enrolled. The church at Vernon Hill, having decided to call for a letter of dismission from the New Found Association, and prevented from doing so only by a failure on the part of delegates to attend said Association, made application for admission into our body and was received and delegates enrolled. A newly constituted church at Black Mountain applied for admission; and being satisfied with her declaration of faith, was received and delegates enrolled.

Ebenezer—J. W. Nash and M. M. Buchanan.
Macedonia—J. J. Miller and J. O. Fore.
Pleasant Hill—N. M. Kilpatrick and James Moore.
Forks of Ivy—Elder S. J. Morgan. Pastor.
Sugar Camp Branch—James Pickens.
Vernon Hill—W. T. Springs and Geo. Ballard.
Black Mountain—A. J. Greenwood, A. Burleson and J. M. Burleson.

Proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year.

Charles E. Lee and J. B. Freeman were appointed Tellers to ascertain the vote cast for Moderator.

While the Tellers were out counting the vote, sang :

"Come, thou Fount of every blessing."

The Tellers report no election. The Moderator orders the second ballot.

While the Tellers are counting the second ballot Dr. John Mitchell mentioned the fact that brother C. M. Williams, Treasurer of the Western Baptist Convention, was very sick, even at the point of death, and the Association engaged in a special prayer for him, led by the Moderator.

Tellers report no election, and the third ballot was ordered.

While counting the third ballot, sang,

"Jesus, lover of my soul."

Tellers report Elder L. W. Sams elected Moderator.

On motion, Elder W. W. Wells was elected Clerk and Treasurer, and Chas. E. Lee Historian.

The following committees were then appointed by the Moderator :

CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS—J. B. Freeman, A. J. Greenwood and W. W. Wells.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—Elders E. J. Morgan, W. T. Bradley, J. G. Pulliam and A. D. Blackwood.

EDUCATION—J. C. Scarborough, Superintendent of Public Instruction for the State, John W. Starnes, Superintendent of Public Schools for the County of Buncombe, and Elder John Mitchell.

PERIODICALS—Elders N. S. Jones, S. J. Morgan and J. G. Pulliam.

STATE OF THE CHURCHES—Elder A. I. Justice, J. M. Brookshire and Eld. E. Allison.

TEMPERANCE—W. T. Springs, S. Morgan and J. O. Fore.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—Chas. E. Lee, J. P. Morgan, J. W. Nash and J. C. Sams.

TIME, PLACE, &C.—B. F. Spivey, L. F. Sorrels and M. M. Buchanan.

FINANCE—Jesse W. Morgan and Z. J. Carter.

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES—Pastor and delegates of Hominy church, and Jos. Robinson and James Pickens.

On motion of the Clerk, adopted the following order of business for this session :

1. Meet at 9:30 a. m. Devote half an hour to devotional exercises. Take recess at 11 a. m., to hear a sermon; meet again at 1 p. m., and adjourn at pleasure each day.

2. Reports of committees in the following order : (1) Foreign Missions, (2) Conventional Missions, (3) Education, (4) Periodicals, (5) State of the churches, (6) Temperance, (7) Sunday Schools, (8) Finance. (9) Time, Place and Annual Sermon of next Association.

3. Report of Executive Board.
4. Report of Historian.
5. Resolutions.
6. Appoint Correspondents.
7. Miscellaneous Business.
8. Adjourn.

Elder J. A. Bradley and E. W. Morgan were welcomed to seats as corresponding messengers from the French Broad Association.

On motion, the following brethren were invited to seats as visitors : Elder E. Allison, from the Transylvania Association, J. C. Scarborough, Superintendent of Public Instruction for the State, and Elder N. S. Jones, from the Raleigh Association.

On motion, adjourned to 9:30 a. m. Friday. Prayer by Elder A. D. Blackwood.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, Sept 5th, 1884.

Spent 30 minutes in prayer meeting, conducted by Elder J. A. Bradley. Called to order by the Moderator.

Read letter from Reams Creek asking to be admitted into this Association. On motion, the church was received and delegate enrolled: Reams Creek—Wm. Sawyer.

The following brethren having arrived were welcomed to seats as visitors: Elder J. B. Boone, President of Judson College, Joseph E. Carter, Pastor of Hendersonville Baptist church, and author of the Tract on "Distinctive Baptist Principles," and Thos. J. Rickman, editor of the *Blue Ridge Baptist.*

W. W. Wells read the report on Conventional Missions, and, on motion of J. G. Pulliam, it was made the special order for 2 o'clock Saturday.

The report on Education was read by John W. Starnes. Motion to adopt. Remarks by J. C. Scarborough, who regards education as a religious duty. STARTLING FACTS: There are 58,218 white voters who can't read their ballots. This is one-third of the white vote. There are 8,7776 negro voters who can't read their ballots. Total white and colored 14,5294, or more than any one man ever received in the State at one time.

On motion, took recess for sermon. Sang hymn:

"Am I a soldier of the cross."

Prayer, led by Elder John Mitchell. Scripture lesson—Gen. 12th chapter. Hymn: "Did Christ o'er sinners weep?"

Sermon by Elder N. S. Jones. Text, Gen. 13:12.

Took recess one hour. Benediction by the Moderator.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON.

Resumed the consideration of the report on education.

Remarks by John W. Starnes, Elders J. B. Boone and Jos. E. Carter.

Brother Starnes called attention to the fact that there were in the county of Buncombe 8,864 children of school age 6,000 were onrolled in schools last year—4000 was the average attendance—$8,000, or $2 per child, was expended last year for free school education.

Brother Boon drew the distinction between colleges and common schools, and showed how one was a helper to the other, and made a strong speech in behalf of Judson College. Brother Carter spoke in behalf of the Board of Education, and took the following subscription and collection for ministerial education:

Asheville, $25; Morgan Hill and Berea, $10; Lauric Hill church and J. P. Gaston and R. R. Porter, $5 each; Antioch, $2; Bethel, $3; White Rock, $2.50;

cash, 4.75. Total, $72.25. (Note—Some of the churches had already pledges standing. The Association will give at least $100.00 this year.—CLERK).

Further remarks by the Moderator. Report adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The education of our people is a question which presses itself upon us as Baptists and as citizens in common with all other citizens of our State. As Baptists we must determine the question, "Are we to extend moral, religious, social and patriotic influences in the State in proportion to our numbers?" If we desire to extend such influences in this proportion then we *must* educate our people and ministers, for "knowledge is power" with us as it is with other people. Our distinctive principles stimulated our fathers to the active exercise of the highest patriotism. We ought to bring our influence to bear in all proper directions and with all possible force for the extension of the knowledge of the Kingdom of Christ in the hearts of men. for the propagation of the principles of the Gospel as we hold it and for the advancement of the interests of our State and country and for the educational elevation of all our fellow-citizens of whatever name.

Let our influence and money be liberally given for the education of both ministers and people in our churches and for the progress of education among all the people of our State. We are much gratified at the upward tendency of education in Western North Carolina. It is becoming wide-spread. The masses are being reached. A great civic breeze is seething through our Pisgahs, and we believe that the labors of our educators are being blessed in slowly, though surely, leading our people up, out and away from under their illiterate bondage. We are highly pleased to recommend to our people, Baptists especially, Judson College at Hendersonville, N. C. This school is now in a flourishing condition. Its spacious grounds of about eight acres are being enclosed; one hundred dollars of the enclosing funds having been donated by one of our most enterprising citizens. The splendid Faculty has been again strengthened by the addition of another member. The institution is in all respects worthy of patronage; but while we acknowledge and take pride in the fact that Judson College is, and should continue to be, our central moving power, because of its especial adaptation to the educational wants of our ministers and the higher education of all our people, we heartily endorse and recommend the schools at Mars Hill, Madison county and Morgan Hill, this county. And now, while we congratulate our denomination and people generally upon the quickened impetus given to education we desire to urge upon them the necessity of an increased effort and undying diligence in this great work.

Respectfully submitted.

J. C. SCARBOROUGH,
JOHN W. STARNES,
JOHN MITCHELL,
} Committee.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by Elder E. J. Morgan. Motion to adopt. On motion, the report was made the special order for 10 o'clock Saturday.

Report on Periodicals was read by Elder N. S. Jones.

Motion to adopt. Remarks by Elder N. S. Jones, T. J. Rickman, editor *Blue Ridge Baptist*, Chas. E. Lee and I. H. Gorenflo.

On motion, gave the editor of said paper 10 minutes to take subscribers. Further remarks by Rev. J. E. Carter.

Ordered the editor of the *Blue Ridge Baptist* have 10 minutes, just after the sermon at 11 o'clock to-morrow to take subscribers.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

There exists among our people a great necessity of information relative to our church work, Sunday schools, missions, education and all things pertaining to the advancement of our denominational interests. We can get this information through religious periodicals. Therefore, we recommend the *Blue Ridge Baptist*, the organ of the Baptists of Western North Carolina, and urge our people to support it. We recommend also the *Biblical Recorder*, *Foreign Mission Journal and Kind Words.*

N. S. JONES,
J. G. PULLIAM,
S. J. MORGAN, } Committee

On motion of W. W. Wells, a committee was appointed to nominate an Executive Board for the ensuing year.

COMMITTEE—Elder A. I. Justice, J. B. Freeman, A. Lochart and T. C. Morgan.

On motion, agreed to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow instead of 9:30.

On motion, adjourned. Benediction by Elder A. I. Justice.

FRIDAY NIGHT.

Sermon by Elder A. I. Justice. Text: Ezek. 51:9.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, Sept. 6th, 1884—9 a. m.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Sang hymn,

"Amazing grace, how sweet the sound."

Prayer, led by Elder S. J. Morgan. Called to order by the Moderator. Read and approved the minutes. Called the roll and marked absentees.

Received Elders B. Holtsclaw, C. B. Mingus and brother J. L. Morgan as correspondents from the Tuckasiege Association.

Report of Executive Board was read by the clerk. Motion to adopt. Remarks by I. H. Gorenflo, W. W. Wells and Elder C. B. Mingus. Report adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

DEAR BRETHREN.—Following the suggestion of Association last year, we secured the services of Elder S. J. Morgan as missionary pastor at Ream's Creek. The brother has preached for the church monthly and has in our opinion done good and efficient work. The Lord has blessed his labors as will be partially seen in his report, which we subjoin. We regret to say that we did not feel warranted in attempting more work on account of slowness of the churches to furnish the Board with funds. Some of the churches have responded promptly. We have received from the churches the following:

Asheville, $10; Cane Creek, $5; Morgan Hill, $2.50; Berea, $2.50; Flat Creek, $3.20; Swannanoa, $10. Total, $24.80. Collected on the field, $8.50. Total, 33.30.

The following is the report of Elder S. J. Morgan, Missionary Pastor at Reams Creek:

Days of service, 33; sermons preached, 31; addresses made, 8; families visited 19; professions witnessed, 18; baptized, 8; restored or received by letter, 1. Total additions, 9; collected on the field, $8:50.

Respectfully submitted,

I. H. GORENELO, Sec. Ex. Board.

The hour for the special order having arrived, resumed the consideration of the report on Foreign Missions. Report re-read by Elder A. D. Blackwood. Remarks by Elder A. D. Blackwood, W. T. Bradley, C. E. Lee, Elder J. E. Carter and T. J. Carter. At the close of the discussion the following subscription was made and collection taken for Foreign Missions.

CHURCHES—Asheville, $50; Berea, Big Ivy, Flat Creek, Morgan Hill, Cane Creek, $10 each; Gash's Creek, Hominy, Sugar Camp Branch, Forks of Ivy, Black Mountain, $5 each; Antioch, $4; Bethel, White Rock, Ebenezer, Pleasant Hill, $3 each; Reams Creek, $2; Vernon Hill, $1; T. A. Starnes, $1.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—Asheville, $15; Cane Creek and Hominy, $5 each; Berea, $4; Antioch, Bethel, Swannanoa Hill, Ladies' Missionary Society of Hominy church, Gash's Creek, $2 each; Morgan Hill, $2.50. J. M. Robison, $1. Total subscription $187.50; cash $6.85. Total, $194.35.

NOTE—The part of the collection on Sunday belonging to Foreign Missions was $5.53, which added to the foregoing amount make $199.88.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"Go ye, therefore, into all the world and preach the Gospel," was, and is, the great commission. Our supineness in understandingand carrying out this commission should be a source of humiliation to us all; yet we rejoice that we are not without labor and fruit in this particular. Since the days of Carey, Fuller and the Rylands the missionary wave has not ceased, but the tide has been steadily rising until it has reached Mexico, Brazil, China, Africa and Italy. But the work in these several fields is in its incipiency, the fringes of the forest only having been clipped, while the great heart of it lies unexplored. In order that the rays of Gospel light should permeate these centres the Southern Baptist Convention, through its Boards, sent out ten new missionaries.

These, added to the number already in the field, make 49. For the support of this work there was raised last year $80,465.87. This was $23561.16 more than has ever been raised in any one year previous. Of this amount Buncombe county, according to the report made to this Association, paid $186.43. This year we are asked to raise $150.00. We suggest that a special effort be made to raise that amount, during the sitting of this body.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. MORGAN,
A. D. BLACKWOOD, } Committe.

Took recess for preaching. Sang hymn :

"How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord."

Prayer, led by Elder John Mitchell. Sermon by Elder J. B. Boone. Text : 1 Cor. 1:18-23-24.

Took recess of one hour for dinner. Benediction by Elder Jno. Mitchell.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the Moderator.

Committee to nominate Executive Board submitted their report. Motion to adopt. Remarks by I. H. Gorenflo, J. B. Freeman, J. C. Sams and Elder E. J. Morgan. Report adopted. (See page 2).

Report on Sunday Schools was read by Charles E. Lee, and on motion was made the special order for 9:30 o'clock Sunday morning.

The hour having arrived for the special order relative to Conventional Missions, the report was re-read by the Clerk. Remarks by W. W. Wells, I. H. Gorenflo and Elder J. E. Carter.

On motion, gave W. W. Wells time to take collection for Warm Springs church building, and the following amounts were subscribed :

Asheville church, $25; J. B. Freeman, C. C. Mathews, J. Miller, J. M. Robinson, J. W. Morgan, T. J. Rickman, A. B. Morgan, E. Morgan, T. A. Starnes, W. H. Young, (in painting) and J. H. Ogden, $5 each; Bethel church and Frank P. Morgan, $3 each; L. S. Clark and S. F. Miller, $2.50 each; S. Morgan, A. W. Fuller, M. M. Buchanan, Rev. L. W. Sams, S. E. Arrowood, B. L. Morgan and Mrs. Mary Anderson, $2 each; Jasper Young, H. H. Meece, Mrs. W. T. Bradley, Miss Hattie Miller, Miss Sallie Morgan, Miss Eliza Fletcher, Mrs. Matilda ———, Mrs. Ann Clark, Miss Mary E. Young and Mrs. Lou M. Gudger, $1 each. Cash—Z. J. Carter, $5; E. L. Clark, $2.50; Joshua Curtis, S. B. Gudger, W. H. Green, J. E. McKinney and Jonathan Morgan, $1 each. Total in cash and pledges, $127.50.

The report on Conventional Missions was then adopted.

REPORT ON CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

There are in the service of the Board of Missions of the Western Baptist Convention seven Missionaries.

In Ashe and Alleghany counties brother S. M. Collis has been and is doing an effective work. A Baptist church has been constituted at Sparta, and the outlook is hopeful. This is an important field of labor, and should be occupied.

At Burnsville and Marshall brethren John Ammons and L. W. Sams are laboring under the appointment of the Board. The assistance given to these places about double the pastoral work heretofore done.

At Warm Springs we have no house of worship, and no church organization. Some months ago the Board decided to occupy that field, and W. W. Wells was appointed on the Mission. On his first visit he decided that the first thing to be done was to build a Baptist meeting-house. Work was at once begun in that direction. A nice lot, well situated in the village, has been secured and a title made to the Board of Missions of the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention. Over four hundred dollars has been subscribed for building, and the hope of success is indeed bright.

At Highlands, in Macon county, brother S. H. Harrington is at work. At this place we had no church organization until a few weeks ago a church was organized with twelve members. There is no church house at that place (the members meet in the village school-house) but it is the desire of the pastor, brother Harrington, and the brethren, to build one soon.

Among the Indians brother E. D. Brendle is now laboring in Cherokee and adjoining counties.

As will be seen the efforts of the Board has been, mainly, to seize upon the towns and centres of influence, and do, at these points a permanent work, which we heartily commend. At the last meeting, however, it was decided to employ a few men for a short time to labor as Evangelists, and brother J. G. Mashburn has been appointed in the bounds of the New Found Association.

The outlook at all the points now occupied is very hopeful, and yet much remains to be done, and the Board only regrets that the means to carry forward this grand and glorious work are so limited. With enlarged contributions from the churches the Board would be enabled to assist other points of interest which are crying unto us for help. We recommend that the churches take regular collections for Conventional Missions, and especially commend to them the work at Warm Springs.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. FREEMAN,
A. J. GREENWOOD } Committee.
W. W. WELLS,

The report on the state of the churches was read by Elder A. I. Justice and adopted without discussion :

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

With reference to the condition of our churches we rejoice to say the prospect is bright with hope. Great progress in more ways than one has been made by most of the churches. The Lord has blessed some of them with glorious revivals; several new church houses have been and are being built; more has been done for Missions this year than ever before; some are paying their pastors better salaries than heretofore, while none are going back in the way of pastoral support. We hope, however, that this is only the beginning of a

grand forward movement all along the line in every department of christian labor.

If pastors were better supported by the churches, so as to enable them to give their entire time to their work, we might expect to see far greater results.

Respectfully submitted,

A. I. JUSTICE,
J. M. BROOKSHIRE,
E. ALLISON,
} Committee.

On motion, appointed the following correspondents to sister Associations :

To Henderson County—Elders J. M. Hilliard, J. Miller, E. J. Morgan, W. W. Wells and brethren C. E. Lee and J. P. Morgan.

To French Broad—Elders W. T. Bradley, A. I. Justice, S. J. Morgan, L. W. Sams and brethren C. E. Lee, N. M. Kilpatrick, J. C. Sams, W. S. Proffitt and J. P. Morgan.

To New Found—Elders A. I. Justice, J. Miller, S. J. Morgan, W. W. Wells and brethren Chas. E. Lee, J. W. Nash, M. M. Buckanan and John P. Morgan.

To Mitchell County—Elder S. J. Morgan and John P. Morgan.

To Transylvania County—W. W. Wells

To Tuckasegee—Elders E. J. Morgan, W. W. Wells and brother Charles E. Lee.

Passed a resolution of thanks to the citizens of Hominy for the very kind and hospitable entertainment received at their hands.

On motion agreed to take a collection at the close of the sermon at 11 o'clock on Sunday, to be applied to Foreign Mission, Home Missions, Sunday School and Bible Missions, and Education.

Appointed the following delegates to the Western Baptist Convention : Elders L. Y. Israel, A. I. Justice, L. W. Sams and brethren W. H. Green, W. T. Springs and Thos. A. Starnes.

The report of the committee on finance was read by Jesse W. Morgan and adopted. (See Statistical Table.)

Repor on time, place, etc., read by the Clerk and, on motion, adopted :

TIME—Thursday before the first Sunday in September, 1885.
PLACE—Cane Creek.

Agreed to allow the Clerk $10 for his services, and ordered that he superintend the printing of the minutes.

On motion, adjourned until 9:30 o'clock Sunday morning.

Benediction by Elder C. B. Mingus.

SATURDAY NIGHT—Sermon by Elder N. S. Jones.

FOURTH DAY—Sunday Morning.

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Called to order by the Moderator.

At the request of the Moderator, W. W. Wells announced to audience the sad intelligence of the death of brother C. M. Williams, and special prayer was offered in behalf of the heart-stricken family, led by Rev. A. D. Blackwood.

Resumed the consideration of the report on Sunday Schools.

Remarks by J. B. Freeman, Chas. E. Lee, J. C. Sams and Jno. P. Morgan.

The Mass Meeting was very interesting. The speaking was interspersed with appropriate music, which added very much to the interest of the occasion. Every speaker referred with tender emotion to the death of brother Williams, and the whole assembly seemed to realize that a great, because a good, man had fallen.

Report on Sunday Schools was adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

"These words I command thee this day shall be in thine heart, and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children." First these were commands given to us by one who had authority; they were to be implanted in our hearts then to be taught diligently to our children; therefore, we have divine authority for the Sunday School work—not only divine authority, but divine command. The children of to-day are to be the fathers and mothers of the nation fifty years from to-day. You will at once observe the importance of the Sunday School work as a means of educating and christianizing the incoming generation. If the world is ever brought fully to know the Lord Jesus Christ, the Sunday School is to be one of the main auxiliaries to the work. The Sunday School idea is claimed to have had its origin in England a little over one hundred years ago, but it has been authentically ascertained that Sunday Schools were in existence under Baptist patronage many years before in the eastern states of this country. There is no computing in figures the amount of good done during this long period, and it will never be known until we hear the final accounts when we are called from labor to our reward in Heaven. To realize the great importance of the Sunday School work, we have but to look around upon a world steeped in degredation and sin, upon mothers and fathers indifferent to the eternal welfare of their children; upon wayward children who have forgotten the great command, "Honor thy father and mother;" but to look at the great temptations by which our children are surrounded, both by internal and external influences. If we, as a denomination or parents, ever expect to stem the tide of evil influences thrown around our children, we will have to begin very young with them. We are pleased to state to this body that the signs in our midst are exceedingly encouraging, our hearts are made to rejoice at the onward movement in our churches. Where our schools formerly kept open six or eight months in the year, now we observe from the letters that most of our schools are evergreen. The Sunday School Board has now in its employ six missionaries who are going into fields of destitution, organizing schools, distributing the word of God to those

who have it not, and supplying good, wholesome literature for the use of our children, and infusing a spirit of Sunday Schools among our people.

But it is sad to think of the great destitution within the bounds of the Western Baptist Convention. During the last year the missionaries of the Board found over two hundred families destitute of the Bible, and now our missionaries are finding an average destitution of twelve to fifteen per month. What we, as a committee, wish to do, is to lay out something practical, something that you will carry home and profit by. What do we need in the work within our bounds?

1. We need workers—men and women of God, who are willing to be laid out in service for the Master.

2. We need more prayer, accompanied with our work.

3. We need superintendents and teachers who study to make themselves approved workmen for God.

4. We need more active interest in the work from the parents of the children all around us.

5. We need money to pay our missionaries, that they may go on in this labor, and to this end we recommend that stated collections be taken up for the Sunday School Board.

6. We need men who, when appointed, will sacrifice to attend the meetings appointed by the Board.

Finally, brethren, this is a responsibility we cannot shift to others—it is our work, and God will hold each one of us, individually, responsible for our part of it. If you fail to do your part, you may expect your children to suffer from your indifference and bring you down with sorrow to the grave.

"Awake, thou that sleepest," "arise, put ye on the whole armor of God" and fulfill the vow thou hast made to the Savior.

"Come thou with us and we will do thee good, for the Lord has spoken good concerning Israel."

CHAS. E. LEE,
J. C. SAMS,
JOHN P. MORGAN,
J. W. NASH,
} Committee.

The following resolution was offered by J. B. Freeman:

"RESOLVED, That the Clerk prepare and have printed in the minutes a short, suitable obituary of brother C. M. Williams.

Resolution adopted. (See obituary in Appendix E.)

On motion, adjourned.

Touching, feeling and earnest closing remarks were made by the Moderator. He referred to the joy of meeting and sorrow in parting with the brethren, and to the possibility that our next meeting might be at the bar of God. He spoke with peculiar tenderness of the death of brother Williams, having been his pastor before he came to Asheville. He took a prospective view of the future, and expressed his joy on account of what he hoped would be accomplished by the Buncombe County Association, and especially in the rising ministry which he expected to be fully equal to the times.

Thus closed the Third Annual Meeting.

L. W. SAMS, Moderator.

W. W. WELLS, Clerk.

SUNDAY PREACHING—11 A. M.

Preaching by Elder Joseph E. Carter. Text: Rev. 21:4.

Brother Carter's sermon was one of great power, and was seemingly enjoyed very much by the whole assembly, which was estimated at from 1200 to 1500 persons.

At the close of the sermon a collection was taken for the objects of the Convention, as ordered by the Association, amounting to $22.12.

2 p. m.—Sermon by Rev. A. D. Blackwood. The Clerk regrets to say that on account of pressing circumstances, he could not remain to hear the sermon, and, therefore, cannot give the details or the text.

STATISTICAL TABLE, 1884.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICES.	Constituted	Sabb. of Meeting.	Prayer Meeting.	Baptisms	Rec'd. by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Let	Excluded.	Dead.	Increase.	Decrease.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Asheville,	John Mitchell,	Chas. A. Moseley	Asheville,	1829	Ey	W'ky.	12	34	1	10	6	2	29	...	111	165	276
Antioch	W. T. Bradley,	J. H. Woodward,	Democrat,	1883	3	W'ky	6	....	...	....	1	1	4	...	23	40	63
Bethel,	A. I. Justice,	H. H. Jarrett,	Asheville,	1835	4	Bi-wk	7	4	...	5	3	1	2	...	38	79	117
Big Ivy,	L. W. Sams,	J. J. Greenwood,	Barnardsville,	1812	2	.....	38	....	3	55	1	2	....	17	75	130	205
Berea,	J. M. Hilliard,	Zeb. V. Brevard,	Riceville,	1853	2-4	.....	4	5	...	....	2	1	6	...	46	54	100
Black Mountain,	S. J. Morgan,	A. J. Greenwood,	Barnardsville,	1884	4	W'ky.	...	2	...	....	...	...	2	...	15	25	40
Cane Creek,	J. M. Hilliard,	P. M. Freeman,	Fairview,	1806	1-3	.....	1	5	1	13	8	4	....	18	77	121	198
Ebenezer,	A. I. Justice,	F. M. Burgess,	Sandy Mush,	1870	3	.....	...	....	...	....	2	1	....	3	24	46	70
Flat Creek	S. J. Morgan,	W. S. Roberts,	Flat Creek,	1811	1	.....	...	2	...	6	...	2	....	6	33	59	99
Forks of Ivy,	S. J. Morgan,	W. E. Logan,	Grantville,	1850	2	.....	2	2	...	....	...	4	...	2	28	42	70
Gash's Creek,	J. Miller,	L. P. Sales,	Best,	1856	2-4	.....	...	4	...	3	4	2	....	2	45	57	102
Hominy,	W. W. Wells,	L. S. Clark,	Hominy Creek,	1812	1	.....	1	....	2	3	1	1	....	2	44	69	113
Lauric Hill,	E. Allison,	Miss Maggie Starnes,	Harkins,	1874	2	.....	...	17	...	3	2	1	....	11	17	33	50
Morgan Hill,	W. T. Bradley,	F. M. Williams,	Morgan Hill,	1866	2-4	W'ky.	30	3	13	14	3	2	27	...	72	101	173
Macedonia,	Geo. Gosnell,	T. M. Knight,	Ramsey,	.....	.....	.....	...	5	...	6	1	...	....	2	.....	.....	33
New Salem,	T. K. Brown,	W. R. Murray,	Busbee,	.....	4	Mo'y.	...	....	...	1	1	...	....	2	13	23	36
†N. F. Swannanoa,	S. W. Mitchell,	W. H. Burnett,	Black Mountain,	1828	.....	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	...	.....	...	20	33	53
Pleasant Hill,	A. I. Justice,	W. D. Black,	Weaverville,	1879	2	.....	1	1	...	....	...	...	2	...	11	13	24
Reams Creek,	S. J. Morgan,	E. P. Jenkins,	.....	.....	3	.....	9	4	...	1	...	...	12	...	.....	.....	44
†Swannanoa,	A. D. Blackwood,	Jas. Dennis,	Cooper's Station,	.....	.....	.....	..	5	...	....	...	...	5	...	14	11	25
Sugar Camp Branch,	A. I. Justice	J. J. Fox,	Roberts,	.....	.....	.....	...	8	...	3	2	2	7	...	.....	.....	84
Vernon Hill,	W. T. Springs,	A. J. Jenkins,	Asheville,	.....	3	W'ky.	4	.....	...	1	....	1	2	...	.....	.....	54
White Rock,	W. W. Wells,	E. L. Warren,	Glady,	1881	4	.....	14	1	...	2	1	...	12	...	20	29	49
							129	102	20	123	38	23	108	63	.....	.....	2078

†Not represented. †Old Statistics.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

SECTION 1. This body shall be known as the Buncombe County Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II—CONSTITUENCY.

Sec. 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for. Provided, however, that any church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Sec. 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor, and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

ARTICLE III.—OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the church letters, and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.—OBJECT.

Sec. 1. It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the Western Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

ARTICLE V.—COMMITTEES.

Sec. 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday Schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of said committees to report, in writing, on the subjects given them in charge while the association is in session.

ARTICLE VI.—EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Sec. 1. This body shall, at each annual meeting, appoint an Executive Board, consisting of one from each church in this Association. The said Board shall have in charge the work, and put into execution the plans of the association during its recess.

ARTICLE VII—CHURCH LETTERS.

Sec. 1. The church letter shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; name of members delegated to the association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership; with their post office; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members, time of prayer-meeting, amount paid for pastor's salary, inci-

dental expenses, home missions, foreign missions, education, Sunday school and Bible missions, and if for any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday school to be as follows: State whether Baptist or Union; number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and postoffice of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.—BY LAWS.

Sec. 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE IX.—MEETING.

Sec. 1. This body shall meet annually, according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.—PRINTING.

Sec. 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI.—CORRESPONDENCE.

Sec. 1. This association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII.—FAITH.

Sec. 1. This association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men, as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Sec. 2. As an abstract of Faith we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII.—AMENDMENT.

Sec. 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

IN MEMORY OF COLUMBUS M. WILLIAMS.

It is an immemorial and universal custom among men to honor the memory of their departed friends. This sacred usage springs from the purest emotions of the soul, and goes forth in various forms to elevate and beautify all that was great and good in the dead. The methods of expressing this respect are various, but the highest and the most endearing tribute which we can pay to a dead friend is the earnest and fervent words of commendation with which we commit a record of his character and virtues to the unyielding embrace of history.

COLUMBUS M. WILLIAMS professed faith in Christ at the early age of 13, and for 21 years lived a consistent, consecrated christian, until on the 7th day of September he was called from the scene of earthly labors to the eternal rest. His body rests in the bosom of the soil, but the memory of his good deeds, and devotion to his Master's cause, completes the lesson interrupted by his early death. He was intimately connected with every department of christian work in which his church, association or convention seen fit to embark. For a number of years he was Clerk and Treasurer of his church, and so efficient was he that the deacons saw proper to commit to him the whole management of finances of the church. He was a wise and devoted Superintendent of the Sunday School. When he came to Asheville he found the Sunday School a mere handful, but by his earnest devotion to its interests, he lived to see it number over three hundred.

He was repeatedly elected Clerk of the Salem Association, and served the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention for several years as Secretary and Treasurer. He held the office of Treasurer of the Convention at his death. In all these positions he won for himself an enviable reputation. It would afford me a mournful satisfaction to speak more fully of the virtues of the departed; of his high christian character; of his love for his church and his devotion to her interest; but the space allowed for this brief notice will not permit.

Suffice it to say, in conclusion, what is better than all else, that, living in christian faith, he died in the full confidence of the christians hope, awaiting the resurrection of the just.

W. W. WELLS,
In behalf of the Association.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary,...	Church Expenses	Minute Fund.....	Support of S. S...	Support of Poor,	County Missions	Conventional Missions,	S. S. and Bible Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Foreign Missions	Other Purposes.	Total money raised in ch. and S. S.
Asheville,	$ 800 00	*$1586.00	3 00	$57 95	$58 00	$10 00	$ 44 76	$40 00	$76 06	$59 74	$ 119 50	$3015 03
Antioch,	40 00	.....	2 10	.....	.....	2 50	2 50	.....	7 76	.....	.....	59 36
Bethel,	75 00	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	4 50	.....	.....	5 00	.....	88 12
Big Ivy,	70 00	.....	2 00	.....	8 00	.....	5 00	12 72	8 25	5 00	175 00	285 97
Berea,	150 00	.....	2 00	4 00	.....	2 50	7 50	1 63	14 00	14 30	.....	202 93
Black Mountain,	55 00	.....	1 05	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	71 05
Cane Creek,	150 00	5 00	2 35	15 19	4 00	5 00	10 50	.....	10 35	10 00	7 50	244 06
Ebenezer,	50 00	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	3 00	2 00	64 00
Flat Creek,	55 00	.....	2 05	.....	1 50	3 20	5 95	.....	.....	10 95	43 25	121 90
Forks of Ivy,	40 00	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41 50
Gash's Creek,	80 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	7 00	4 25	.....	5 00	5 00	105 25
Hominy,	100 00	2 00	3 35	6 58	.....	.....	2 52	1 56	.....	3 65	56 20	189 49
Lauric Hill,	76 00	11 65	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	7 25	103 60
Morgan Hill,	91 00	10 00	2 10	.....	.....	2 50	17 20	2 12	15 00	17 20	53 00	225 12
Macedonia,	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40
New Salem,	6 00	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 75
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Pleasant Hill,	30 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	31 00
Reams Creek,	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	4 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 65
†Swannanoa,	.....	.....	1 75	.....	.....	1 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 35
Sugar Camp Branch,	55 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56 00
Vernon Hill,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
White Rock,	75 00	35 00	1 05	7 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	436 65
	$1998 00	$1964 65	$31 65	$98 32	$71 50	$31 40	$ 102 43	$62 28	131 42	134 44	$ 468 70	$5356 18

†Not represented. *Including improvements in church house,
Note—Some discrepancies may appear in the totals, for which the Clerk is not responsible.

Sunday School Statistics.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Officers-teachers.	Total in School,..	Conversions in S.	Mos. open in yr.	Plan,.....	Church members in School,	Pd. for support of School.	S. S. Bible Miss.	Conv. Missions,..	Ministerial Ed,...	Foreign Missions	Other Objects,.....	Total money raised by the School,
Asheville,.....	Charles E. Lee,.....	16	319		12	B	*	$ 20 76	$30 57	$25 20	$ 9 40	$34 21	$40 00	$ 160 08
Antioch,.....	M. H. Carson,.....	4	99	7	12	B	25	4 50						4 50
Bethel, ...	T. P. Brookshire,.....	5			12	B	*							
Berea,.....	Z. V. Brevard,.....	8	58	2	10	B	17					7 00		7 00
Black Mountain,.....	A. J. Greenwood,.....	8	73	10	8	B	35	4 00					5 00	9 00
Cane Creek,.....	J. B. Freeman,.....	8	98		12	B	25		4 30	4 95	2 50	5 74	6 00	23 49
Ebenezer,.....	.....	...												
Big Ivy,.....	.....	...												
Flat Creek,.....	.....	...												
Forks of Ivy,.....	T B Siler, B F Buckner,	6	56	1	6									
Gash's Creek,.....	M. L. Reed,.....	5	80		12	B	20	3 00						3 00
Hominy,.....	E. L. Clark,.....	6	76		12	B	34	4 33	3 61	2 63	71	1 89	46	9 30
Laurie Hill,.....	W. D. Robinson,.....	9	67		12	B	13	7 10						7 10
Morgan Hill,.....	J. C. Sams,.....	5	85	15	12	B	40	15 00						15 00
Macedonia,.....	.....	...												
New Salem,.....	W. R. West,.....	6	51		8	B	8							
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*Reams Creek,.....	.....	...												
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Sugar Camp Branch,...	.....	...												
Vernon Hill,.....	W. T. Springs,.....	....												
White Rock,.....	L. Y. Israel,.....	9	49		12	B	13							
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*Not reported. *Not represented. †A Mission church.

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Moderator:

JOHN P. MORGAN, ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Clerk and Treasurer:

F. M. WILLIAMS, MORGAN HILL, N. C.

Historian:

CHARLES E. LEE, ASHEVILLE, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Thomas Stradley, Asheville, N. C.	E. Morgan, Hominy Cr'k, N. C.
J. L. Carroll, " "	E. J. Morgan, Glady, "
J. K. Connally, " "	L. Y. Israel, " "
W. W. Wells, Waynesville, "	W. Haynes, Best, "
W. T. Bradley, Morgan Hill, "	J. M. Hilliard, Cooper's, "
S. J. Morgan " "	T. K. Brown, " "
L. W. Sams, Mars Hill, "	S. W. Mitchell, " "
A. I. Justice, Ownby, "	Joseph Miller, Fair View, "
G. W. Gosnell, " "	

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

John W. Starnes. J. W. Nash.
M. L. Reed. F. P. Morgan.
James H. Woodward.

The next session of Buncombe County Baptist Association will be held at Mt. Carmel, beginning Tuesday, before the first Sunday in September, 1887.

Introductory sermon by Elder E. J. Morgan.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

Section 1. This body shall be known as the "Buncombe County Baptist Association."

ARTICLE II.—CONSTITUENCY.

Sec. 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for. Provided, however, That any church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Sec. 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor, and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

ARTICLE III.—OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Trersurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.—OBJECT.

Sec. 1. It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the Western Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday-schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

ARTICLE V.—COMMITTEES.

Sec. 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Periodicals, State of the churches, Temperance, Sunday-schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place, and Annual Sermon of the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of said committees to report, in writing, on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

ARTICLE VI.—EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Sec. 1. This body shall, at each annual meeting, appoint an Executive Board, consisting of one from each church in this Association. The said Board shall have in charge the work, and put into execution the plans of the Association during its recess.

ARTICLE VII.—CHURCH LETTERS.

Sec. 1. The church letter shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; name of members del-

egated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their postoffice; number baptized, received by letter, restored dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members, time of prayer meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, home missions, foreign missions, education, Sunday-school and Bible missions, and if for any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday-school to be as follows: State whether Baptist or Union; number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and postoffice of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.—BY LAWS.

Sec. 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE IX.—MEETING.

Sec. 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.—PRINTING.

Sec. 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI.—CORRESPONDENCE.

Sec. 1. This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII—FAITH.

Sec. 1. This association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

2. As an abstract of Faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII—AMENDMENT.

Sec. 1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

PROCEEDINGS.

The Buncombe County Baptist Association met in its fifth annual session with Big Ivy Baptist church, September 2, 1886.

The Moderator, Dr. J. L. Carroll, read, and commented on, sixth chapter, eighth to nineteenth verses of Revelation, and Elder F. M. Jordan led in prayer.

Introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. M. Hilliard, from 1 Cor. 3:9.

Recess one hour.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association re-assembled. Sung hymn "Nearer My God to Thee," and Elder John Ammons led in prayer.

Appointed F. M. Williams, temporary secretary, Elders John Ammons and J. M. Hilliard were appointed reading clerks, and letters were read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Asheville—Dr. J. L. Carroll, Pastor; Brethren John P. Morgan, A. M. Carroll, J. D. Brevard, and R. A. Rumple, proxy.

Antioch—Jas. H. Woodward, M. H. Carson, H. L. Lane and M. S. Proffit.

Avery's Creek—Not represented.

Bethel—A. A. Ingle and F. P. Ingle.

Big Ivy—Elder L. W. Sams and Brethren W. H. Hurst, J. J. Greenwood, W. J. Morrow, J. A. Buckner, Andy Ingle and John Davis.

Berea—Elders J. M. Hilliard and T. K. Brown, Brethren E. A. Reed, J. W. Keasler and J. H. Denning.

Black Mountain—F. M. Haynes, G. W. McMahan and J. H. Williams.

Beaver Dam—J. H. Stradley.

Bent Creek—W. B. Case and M. R. Cagle.

Cane Creek—James Joy and Edmund Foster.

Ebenezer—L. L. Childs.

Flat Creek—S. Morgan, A. Lochart, W. S. Roberts and J. T. Myers.

Gash's Creek—Elder W. Haynes.

Hominy—F. P. Morgan and Jeremiah Green.

Lorick Hill—Geo. W. Radford and Z. V. Robertson.

Morgan Hill—Elders S. J. Morgan and W. T. Bradley, Brethren J. C. Sams, J. H. Gentry, T. C. Morgan, Jonathan Morgan, H. B. Miles and W. W. Morgan.

Macedonia—Not represented.

Mt. Carmel—J. H. Miller, T. P. Brookshire, L. D. Brookshire, W. Plemmons and John Welch.

New Salem—W. R. West and D. P. Lance.

North Fork Swannanoa—Wm. Dougherty, J. E. Allison and J. R. Allison.

Pleasant Hill—Jonathan Mooney and Jas. Mooney.

Reems' Creek—Not represented.

Swannanoa—Elder S. W. Mitchell.

Sugar Camp Branch—Z. V. Roberts.

Vernon Hill—Not represented.

White Rock—Not represented.

Through the influence of Dr. J. L. Carroll the rule of electing moderator by ballot was suspended, and on motion of Dr J. L. Carroll, John P. Morgan was, by acclamation, unanimously elected moderator, and F. M. Williams secretary and treasurer, and and Charles E. Lee historian. Received the following correspondents: From French Broad Association—Elder John Ammons and E. W. Morgan; From Tuckasiegee Association—James E Hurst. Elder J. W. Hooker was invited to a seat as visitor from New Found Association.

Appointed the following committees:

Home Missions—W. S. Roberts, Elder W. T. Bradley and F. P. Morgan.

Foreign Missions—Dr. J. L. Carroll, S. J. Morgan and J. H. Woodward.

Education.—John Ammons, J. M Hilliard and W. Haynes.

Periodicals.—Elders F. M. Jordan, L. W. Sams and Bro. W. B. Case.

State of the Churches—Elders J. M. Hilliard, S. W. Mitchell, M. S. Proffitt and J. C. Sams.

Temperance—J. H. Stradley, Elder F. M. Jordan and S. Morgan.

Sunday-schools—M. H. Carson, J. C. Sams and H. B. Miles.

Time and Place and Annal Sermon—T. C. Morgan, W. J. Keisler, G. W. Radford and Jeremiah Green.

Finance—J. H. Woodward, T. C. Morgan and F. P. Morgan.

Religious Exercises—Delegates of Big Ivy church with A. Lochart, Z. V. Robertson and M. R. Cagle.

The following resolution by Dr. J. L. Carroll was adopted:

Resolved, That the clerk be instructed to print the constitution and rules in the minutes and also a full list of the churches with the date of their constitution whether represented or not at any particular meeting.

On motion adjourned until 9 a. m. Friday. Prayer by Elder J. W. Hooker.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

Prayer and praise service one-half hour, conducted by Elder F. M. Jordan.

Association called to order by moderator.

Read and approved minutes of yesterday.

Report of committee on Order of Business read by Elder L. W. Sams, and adopted.

REPORT ON ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Meet at 9 a. m. Sermon at 11 a. m. Meet at 1 p. m. Adjourn at will.

On motion a committoe of four was appointed to nominate an executive board. Committee: Elder J. M. Hilliard, F. P. Morgan, J. C. Sams and A. A. Ingle.

Received Elder Alfred Bradley a correspondent from French Broad Association,

Report on Education was read by Elder John Ammons. Motion to adopt. Remarks by Elders John Ammons and J. L. Carroll.

The hour having arrived for preaching, Elder J. W. Hooker occupied the stand and preached an able and impressive sermon from Chron. 28 : 9.

Recess one hour for dinner.

Benediction by Elder J. M. Hilliard.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by Moderator J. P. Morgan.

Prayer by Elder Alfred Bradley.

Received Elder Jas. R. Wild correspondent from Newfound Association.

Resumed the consideration of the report on Education. A resolution was real by Elder John Ammons, and adopted, as an apendage to the report on Education. (see appended to report.).

On motion the roll of churches was called and the following pledges made for ministerial education:

Asheville, $25; Berea, Big Ivy, Bethel, Hominy, Beaver Dam and Mt. Carmel $5 each; Swannanoa and North Fork Swannanoa, $2.50 each. Total $60. Report adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The progress of every people, material and moral, is measured by the culture of that people. The standard of education determines the position of an individual with no more certainty than it does a community of individuals, hence education becomes an indispensable factor in the great problem of material wealth and moral power. But education is as necessary to the perpetuation of our greatest good as to the production of it. Our forefathers studied out and formulated the doctrine of soul liberty, and as a necessary concomitant, civil liberty, but leave our faculties, mental and moral, undeveloped, and in a single generation all would degenerate into anarchy and confusion. In the language of one of America's greatest statesmen "we must educate or we shall perish." Your committee uses the word educate in its broadest sense. It is to develop thought, to cultivate the power of analysis, to solve by persistent effort the great practical and moral questions of the day. Science is attempting to invade the realm of morals and religion. These questions of science must be studied, so studied as to enable even the common peo-

ple to understand where science ends and faith begins. This involves Christian education; we must eeucate the intellect, the conscience, the heart. Our educators must be Christians. We have made some progress, but much remains to be done. Our schools have been steadily growing in efficiency as they have been growing in public respect and demanding public recognition. Mars Hill holds out inducements to those desiring a good elementary education which ought not to be overlooked by our people, while Judson College offers facilities to those desiring to pursue a higher course which cannot be surpassed by any school of its age. Patronize these schools. fill up the present capacity and thus force enlargement and extension of the work.

Resolved, That the subject of ministerial education is specially commended to the association and the churches within its bounds, at the same time urging the importance of great carefulness in the selection of beneficiaries.

JOHN AMMONS.
J. M. HILLIARD. } Committee.
W. HAYNES.

Report on Home Missions read by clerk. Motion to adopt. Remarks by Elders S. J. Morgan, Alfred Bradley, L. W. Sams, J. L. Carroll and F. M. Jordan. On motion the roll of churches was called and the following pledges made for Home Missions: Asheville, $25; Morgan Hill, $10; Bethel, Hominy, Lorick Hill, Beaver Dam, Berea, Gash's Creek, Mt. Carmel, Swannanoa and North Fork Swannanoa, $5 each; Antioch and Flat Creek, $2.50 each; Pleasant Hill, $2. Total $87.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We consider it to be a well known fact that the needs of the Home Mission work is apparent to every individual. since there has been so much written upon that subject. But while this is a fact, the field yet remains, to a great extent uncultivated, this we know when we are so often appealed to for help from all over this highly favored land of ours. And hundreds are daily falling victims for want of the Bread of Life that we hold in our hands. While we congratulate the brethren for what they have done for the great Home Mission work in the past, yet we feel that we have withheld to some extent the blessings that God intended we should impart to those starving souls that are crowding the gates of death almost from our own doors. We should therefore give more freely of the means given us in sending more laborers into the harvest until the field shall have been thoroughly explored.

W. S. ROBERTS.
F. P. MORGAN. } Committee.
W. T. BRADLEY.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by Dr. J. L. Carroll. Motion to adopt. Remarks by Dr. J. L. Carroll. The following pledges were made for Foreign Missions: Asheville, $25; Berea, Cane Creek, Gash's Creek, Morgan Hill and Beaver Dam, $10 each; Mt. Carmel, Ebenezer, Hominy, Lorick Hill, North Fork Swannanoa, Bethel, Bent Creek and Sugar Camp Branch, $5 each; Antioch, Flat Creek, Swannanoa, Hominy Sunday-school and Morgan Hill Sunday school, $2.50 each; Berea Sunday-school, $3. Total, $130.50. Report adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The committee to report on Foreign Missions respectfully submit the following:

The last command of our Lord "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature" is still binding on his people, and should

be constantly ringing in their ears. By far the greater part of the world has never heard it, and the people are dying for the want of its joyful sound. The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention with whom we co-operate is sustaining missions in China, Africa, Italy, Brazil and Mexico with bright promise of great usefulness. Several new missionaries have been recently added to those sent out earlier, and the great need now is that they should be sustained by our prayers and contributions. Cannot something be done to inspire a more general and deeper interest in this blessed work? That is the want of the hour. A contribution from every church and that made as large as possible by the liberal help of every member. The Lord hasten the auspicious day when this pressing want shall be supplied, and His word shall have free course and be glorified in all the earth. J. L. CARROLL, Chairman.

On motion, adjourned to 9 a. m. Saturday.

Benediction by Elder F. M. Jordan.

THIRD DAY—Morning session.

Met at 9 a. m. Spent half hour in prayer meeting conducted by Elder W. T. Bradley. Called to order by the moderator. Called the roll of delegates and marked absentees.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Repor on Periodicals was read by Elder F. M. Jordan. Motion to adopt. Remarks by Elders F. M. Jordan, J. R. Wild, J. M. Hilliard and J. L. Carroll. At the close of remarks, the regular order was suspended to solicit subscriptions to our paper, the Western N. C. *Baptist.* A good list procured.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee on Periodicals submit the following report:

Every family should take a good religious paper, for the benefit of both parents and children, to know what is going on in the Christian world around them. It would be equal to three months schooling in the year for the children. It is like getting a letter from the family every week. Bro. Carter is making a vigorous effort, at a great sacrifice of time and labor, to give us a good paper. Your committee would therefore recommend the Western North Carolina Baptist to every Baptist family in Western North Carolina. This is our paper, and we regard it as an absolue necessity. Respectfully submitted,

F. M. JORDAN, Chairman.

Took recess for preaching. Sermon by Dr. J. L. Carroll from Micah 7:18.

Benediction by Elder F. M. Jordan.

THIRD DAY—afternoon session.

Called to order by moderator. Prayer by Elder T. K. Brown. Received Brethren J. R. Sams and W. P. Jervis as correspondents from French Broad Association. Prof. G. C. Briggs, of Judson College, invited to a seat, made a few remarks with reference to the educational advantages of the college.

Report on the state of the churches read by Elder J. M. Hilliard. Motion to adopt.

Remarks by Elders J. M. Hilliard, John Ammons, F. M. Jordan and W. B. Case.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

We find from the letters sent up to the association that some of the churches are going forward, while others are standing still and some few are going bockward. Many of the churches have had good revivals during the year and a good many members have been added to the church. Some of the churches have paid and others overpaid their pledges, while some are behind with nearly all theirs. We would urge upon all the churches the importance of meeting their obligations promptly, for by the churches failing to pay their pledges promptly our boards are embarrassed and the Master's cause suffers. We find that many of our pastors are poorly paid, therefore they cannot do the work that is needed to be done. Your committee would urge upon the churches the importance of paying their pastors better so that they can give more time to the study of God's word and preaching and visiting from house to house.

J. M. HILLIARD, Chairman.

Received John H. Sams, visitor from New Providence Association, Tennessee.

Report on Finance read and adopted. (See table.)

Report on Temperance read by J. H. Stradley.

Motion to adopt. Remarks by J. H. Stradley, Elders F M. Jordan, T. K. Brown and Prof. G. C. Briggs.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Temperance is one of the graces of the spirit and a part of our christianity. Your committee would recommend to our brotherhood the example of John Baptist as a model Baptist, that is to say, "drink neither wine nor strong drink." Luke 1:15.

J. H. STRADLEY, Chairman.

Committee to nominate an Executive Board submit their report, which was adopted. (See second page.)

Report on Time, Place and Annual Sermon read and adopted.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND SERMON.

Time—Tuesday before first Sunday in September, 1887.

Place—Mt. Carmel.

Introductory sermon by Elder E. J. Morgan.

Alternate, Elder W. T. Bradley.

Report on Sunday-schools read by Elder J. M. Hilliard.

On motion, the discussion of the report was postponed until 9 a. m. to-morrow.

Appointed correspondents as follows:

French Broad—A. Lochart, Elkers J. M. Hilliard, F. M. Jordan, T. K. Brown, J. C. Sams, John P. Morgan and F. M. Williams.

New Found—Elders T. K. Brown, F. M. Jordan, M. S. Profit and W. B. Case.

Henderson County—S. W. Mitchell and J. P. Morgan.

Received Elders J. W. Anderson and Wm. K. Briggs as correspondents from French Broad Association.

The following resolution by the clerk was adopted:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved, That the thanks of the association are due are and hereby tendered the church and citizens of Big Ivy for their hospitality during the meeting.

Ordered the clerk to have the minutes printed and distributed. and receive ten dollars for his services. On motion, adjourned till Sunday, 9 a. m. Prayer by Elder J. W. Anderson.

SUNDAY, 9 A. M.

Spent one half hour in devotional exercises, conducted by the moderator.

The Sunday-school report was read by the moderator.

On motion of Elder S. J. Morgan, speeches were limited to 10 minutes. Remarks by Elders J. R. Wild, T. K. Brown, J. M. Hilliard, John Ammons, J. C. Sams and the moderator.

Report adopted.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL REPORT.

Your committee are glad to say the interest in the Sunday-school work is still increasing. Parents are beginning to realize the great importance of properly training their children. and the churches are beginning to see and feel the need of training the young members in the truth, and the importance of furnishing the people with sound literature. We would therefore recommend the use of the Lesson Helps published by the American Baptist Publication Society. Use them as helps, and when you start to Sunday-school leave the helps at home and take the Bible. We have five missionaries in the field doing good work. The board is in debt and we must do something to raise the money to pay off our missionaries. M. H. CARSON, Chairman.

Preaching at 11 a. m. by Elder F. M. Jordan, from Mal. 3:18.

Collections for Sunday-school and Bible Missions, $8.60.

Sermon in the evening by Elder John Ammons from Phil. 2:9. Text: "And hath given him a name which is above every name.

Prayer by Elder S. W. Mitchell.

Thus closed a very pleasant meeting of our association.

JOHN P. MORGAN, Moderator.

F. M. WILLIAMS, Clerk.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Superintendent.	Officers and teachers.	Total in Sunday school.	Church members in school.	Plan	Conversions in S. S.	Months kept open.
Asheville	D. T. Millard	7	.....	.....	B	.....	12
Antioch	M. H. Carson	3	60	.....	B	.....	12
Bethel	H. H. Jarrett	5	75	20	B	6	12
Berea	Z. V. Brevard	7	70	34	B	9	10
Beaver Dam	.....	4	67	.....	B	12	12
Cane Creek	S. J. Ashworth	7	75	30	B	7	12
Gash's Creek	M. L. Reed	5	72	20	B	.....	12
Hominy	F. P. Morgan	9	65	33	B	7	12
Lorick Hill	G. W. Radford	7	50	15	B	.....	12
Morgan Hill	J. C. Sams	6	80	48	B	2	12
Mt. Carmel	M. Sluder	10	130	58	B	16	12
N. F. Swannanoa	.....	7	44	16	B	.....	.....
Swannanoa	S. W. Mitchell	6	46	24	B	.....	12
Total	.....	83	834	298		.....	.....

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Pastor's salary.	Church expenses.	Support of S. S.	Convention & l missions.	Foreign missions.	S. S. and Bible msssions.	Ministerial education.	Support of the poor.	Minute fund.	Miss. church building.	All other objects.	Total money raised.
Asheville	J. L. Carroll	$1,000 00	$119 10	$82 08	$59 10	$42 15	....	$29 65	44 00	$5 00	....	....	$1,280
Antioch	W. T. Bradley	45 00	....	....	....	....	....	5 00	....	1 50	....	....	51
*Avery's Creek	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Bethel	F. M. Jordan	100 00	100 00	20 00	....	....	....	5 00	1 50	1 00	....	....	227
Big Ivy	L. W. Sams	50 00	60 00	....	5 00	5 00	....	....	....	2 00	....	....	122
Berea	J. M. Hilliard	150 00	2 00	3 00	10 00	13 00	....	....	4 00	1 55	$5 00	$80 00	268
Black Mountain	W. A. Robertson	40 00	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1 00	....	....	40
Beaver Dam	J. M. Hilliard	100 00	9 65	....	7 50	18 20	....	5 00	....	1 10	....	2 00	133
Bent Creek	E. Morgan	....	....	....	5 00	5 00	....	3 00	....	2 10	....	....	15
Cane Creek	W. H. Logan	60 00	6 00	....	5 00	....	....	5 00	....	1 05	3 00	16 00	90
Ebenezer	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradley	41 00	5 40	....	2 75	8 20	....	2 35	2 00	1 80	....	....	63
Gash's Creek	W. Haynes	50 00	....	....	7 50	5 00	....	....	....	1 00	2 00	....	65
Hominy	C. B. Mingus	100 00	8 00	6 00	12 95	5 00	5 00	5 00	....	3 00	....	41 50	186
Lorick Hill	E. J. Morgan	75 00	....	5 00	5 00	....	....	....	4 75	1 00	....	....	90
Morgan Hill	S. J. Morgan	85 00	31 25	....	15 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	....	2 10	....	....	153
*Macedonia	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	160
Mount Carmel	A. I. Justice	75 00	55 00	6 00	10 00	....	5 00	5 00	3 66	1 10	....	....	....
New Salem	G. A. Bartlett	25 00	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	85	....	....	25
N. F. Swannanoa	J. M. Hilliard	100 00	2 00	....	....	....	....	....	....	1 00	....	....	103
Pleasant Hill	A. I. Justice	40 00	....	....	2 00	1 60	....	....	....	50	....	....	44
*Reems Creek	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Swannanoa	A. D. Blackwood	50 00	....	....	5 00	2 50	....	2 50	....	50	....	....	60
Sugar Camp Br'h	J. R. Wild	....	....	....	....	5 00	....	....	....	45	....	....	....
*Vernon Hill	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
*White Rock	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total	....	2,196 00	398 40	124 08	151 80	120 75	15 00	72 50	59 91	29 60	10 00	139 50	3,182

*Not represented.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

Churches.	Clerks.	Post-office.	Church constituted.	Sabbath of meeting	Baptisms.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by letter.	Excluded.	Present membership. Dead.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Asheville	A. D. Cooper	Asheville	1829	(*)	8	22	....	42	7	1	144	207	35
Antioch	J. H. Woodward	Democrat	1883	3	7	3	2	....	3	....	33	47	8
Avery's Creek	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Bethel	H. H. Garrett	Emma	1855	4	9	2	1	1	3	1	24	51	9
Big Ivy	S. J. Carter	Democrat	1823	2	....	1	....	4	3	2	62	131	19
Berea	Z. V. Brevard	Riceville	1853	2-4	15	2	2	6	....	1	39	64	10
Black Mountain	A. J. Greenwood	Barnardsville	1884	4	17	3	1	....	....	....	27	34	6
Beaver Dam	E. P. Stradley	Asheville	1885	3	15	5	....	6	....	....	14	13	2
Bent Creek	M. R. Cagle	Brooks	....	2	9	14	7	1	4	....	30	56	9
Cane Creek	P. M. Freeman	Fairview	1806	4	17	4	4	10	8	2	85	131	21
Ebenezer	....	....	1870	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Flat Creek	W. S. Roberts	Flat Creek	1811	1	19	16	2	3	3	3	44	69	11
Gash's Creek	L. P. Sales	Best	1856	2-4	....	6	....	2	2	....	38	50	8
Hominy	B. L. Morgan	Hominy	1812	1	2	1	1	5	....	....	....	....	11
Lorick Hill	Miss Maggie Starnes	Harkins	1880	2	1	1	....	6	2	....	....	....	5
Morgan Hill	W. W. Morgan	Morgan Hill	1866	2-4	2	6	1	13	1	3	62	101	16
†Macedonia	....	....	1869	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Mount Carmel	J. N. Hays	Ownby	1885	1	17	10	....	4	1	....	26	53	8
New Salem	W. R. Murray	....	1848	4	....	....	....	....	1	1	12	21	3
N. Fork Swannanoa	W. H. Burnett	Black Mountain.	1828	....	3	....	1	1	4	2	22	38	6
Pleasant Hill	W. D. Blaek	Weaverville	1879	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	18	22	4
†Reems Creek	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Swannanoa	J. H. Denney	Coopers	1883	3	....	....	....	2	....	1	18	13	3
Sugar Camp Branch	....	Jupiter	....	1	....	....	1	4	1	1	....	....	6
†Vernon Hill	....	....	1882	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
†White Rock	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total	....	....	....	....	141	96	23	110	48	17	....	....	2,04

*Every Sabbath. †Not represented

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The next session of the Buncombe County Association will be held at Morgan Hill Church, 15 miles Northeast of Asheville, beginning on Tuesday before the first Sunday in September, 1889. Introductory sermon by Elder A. I. Justice.

PROCEEDINGS.

WHITE ROCK CHURCH, Aug. 28th, 1888.

The Buncombe County Baptist Association, of North Carolina, convened on its Seventh Anniversary with the White Rock Church. Spent half an hour in Prayer and Praise service, conducted by Elder E. J. Morgan, Pastor of the White Rock Church.

11 a. m. Introductory sermon by Elder S. C. Owen. Text: "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal," &c.—Matt. 6:19, 20. Prayer by Dr. J. L. Carroll. Benediction by Elder S. C. Owen. Recess one hour.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:15 p. m. Association re-assembled. Song, "When the storm in its fury on Galilee fell," &c. Prayer, led by Elder W. W. Wells.

Association called to order by Moderator J. P. Morgan. Dr. W. A. Nelson and John W Starnes were appointed tellers. Letters were read and delegates names enrolled from Churches as follows:

Asheville—1st Church—Dr. W. A. Nelson, Pastor. Elder W. P. Sothern, City Missionary. Brethren John P. Morgan, J. A. Porter, R. H. Lee and John W. Starnes.

French Broad—Asheville—Dr. J. L. Carroll, Pastor. Dr. T. J. Hargan, A. M. Carroll and Geo. H. Starnes.

Antioch—J. W. Arwood, G. D. Carter, W. C. McKinney, T. J. Garrison and I. K. Buckner.

Avery's Creek—Not represented.

Bethel—Frank P. Ingle, J. T. Spivy and Albert Ingle.

Big Ivy—Erving Ingle.

Berea—Elder J. M. Hilliard, Pastor, J. A. Cordell, W. M. Whisenhunt, W. S. Justice, Judson Rice and T. L. Harris.

Black Mountain—Not represented.

Beaverdam—L. P. Baird and E. P. Stradley.

Bent Creek—Jos. M. Davis.

Cane Creek—A. E. Brown, Joseph Ashworth, P. M. Freeman, J. D. Garren, Rufus Ashworth, Alfred Pinkerton, Wm. Jay and J. C. Mitchell.

Concord—Not represented.

Flat Creek—W. S. Roberts and A. Lochart.

Gashes Creek—Elder W. Haynes, J. H. Cordell, R. W. Hare, Frank Mills and J. A. Sales.

Hominy—Elder S. C. Owen, Pastor; Elder E. Morgan, J. W. Morgan, L. Young, Wilson Clark, E. C. Morgan and M. H. Morgan.

Morgan Hill—Elders S. J. Morgan, W. T. Bradley, H. B. Miles and F. M. Williams.

Macedonia—Wm. Rymer, M. E. Sluder and J. B. Gosnell.

Mount Carmel—Elder A. I. Justice, J. W. Nash, J. L. Welch, James Miller and Larkin Plemmons.

New Salem—D. P. Lance, W. M. Murray and J. M. Green.

North Fork Swunnanoa—Not represented.

Pleasant Hill—W. D. Black, James Moore and A. E. Kuykendall.

Reems Creek—Not represented.

Swannanoa—Not represented.

Sugar Camp Branch—Not represented.

Trinity—Wm. McKinney and T. A. Starnes.

Vernon Hill—J. H. Davis and G. W. Ballard.

White Rock—Elder E. J. Morgan, Pastor; Elder E. Y. Israell, D. N. Curtis, J. C. Bird and T. A. Smathers.

By request of the Moderator, Dr. W. A. Nelson read the Constitution.

In the regular order, went into the election of officers with the following results (Moderator by ballot, the other officers by acclamation): John P. Morgan, Moderator; F. M. Williams, Clerk; J. A. Porter, Treasurer, and John W. Starnes, Historian.

Appointed the following committees:

On Home Missions—J. A. Porter, A. M. Carroll and A. Lochart.

On Foreign Missions—Dr. W. A. Nelson, Dr. T. J. Hargan and Elder W. T. Bradley.

On Education—Dr. J. L. Carroll, John W. Starnes, Elders J. M. Hilliard and Joseph E. Carter.

On Periodicals—Elders A. I. Justice, S. C. Owen and S. J. Morgan.

On Temperance—Elders W. Haynes, E. Morgan, F. P. Ingle and J. W. Arwood.

On Sunday Schools—Elder W. P. Sothern, A. E. Brown, W. S. Roberts, Dr. T. J. Hargan, J. B. Gosnell and J. M. Davis.

On Time, Place and Anuual Sermon—R. H. Lee, M. H. Morgan, J. L. Ashworth and H. B. Miles.

On Finance—Edwin Stradley, M. E. Sluder and G. D. Carter.

On Religious Exercises—L. P. Baird and Wm. Rimer, with the Pastor and delegates of White Rock Church.

On motion, adopted Order of Business of last year as follows:

REPORT ON ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Meet at 9 a. m., spend half-hour in devotional exercises. (2) Read minutes of Yesterday. (3) Call for correspondents and delegates who may have arrived since yesterday. (4) Report of

committees. (5) Sermon at 11 a. m. (6) Intermission. (7) Meet at 1 p. m. (8) Adjourn at will.

The following correspondents were invited to seats: Elder W. W. Wells, from Haywood county Association; Brother R. J. Sams, from French Broad Association. Adjourned till 9 a. m. to-morrow. Benediction by Elder J. M. Hilliard.

Preaching at night by Dr. Carroll. Subject: The importunate widow and wicked judge—Luke 18.

WEDNESDAY, 9 A. M., AUGUST 29.

Devotional exercises, conducted by Dr. J. L. Carroll. Association called to order by Moderator Morgan. Read and adopted minute of yesterday. On motion the following committee was appointed to report on the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina: Dr. J. L. Carroll, Elders W. W. Wells and W. Haynes.

Invited to a seat from Newfound Association, Elder Joseph E. Carter, Western Editor *Biblical Recorder*.

On motion the letter from Gashe's Creek Church (containing a petition for next Association) was referred to the committee on time, place, &c. On motion Brother Erving Ingle was received as delegate from Big Ivy Church, no regularly appointed delegates being present.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by Dr. W. A. Nelson. Motion to adopt. Remarks by Drs. Nelson and Carroll, Elders S. C. Owen, J. M. Hilliard and J. E. Carter. After these heart-stirring speeches, on motion of Bro. M. H. Morgan, a collection was taken for this, the greatest of all objects, amounting to $11. Report adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

All the nations of the world are now opened to the Gospel. This is God's call to Christians to give the Bread of Life to the perishing. Since the days that Jesus walked up and down through Judea has the harvest fields ever been so ready for the sickle? Nor has the time ever been when there were such grand and glorious results following the labor bestowed.

In the last few years the conquests of Christ's kingdom have been greater and grander than ever before since the days of the Apostles.

It is also gratifying to note that the Lord's people are being aroused on the subject of Missions as never before.

The Baptists of America have more missionaries now in foreign fields and their work is more highly favored than ever before. More money is given to Christ for Missions every year than was given the preceding year. More men and women are offering themselves than ever. Thus we ought to be encouraged. Prayers that were offered by our fathers years ago it seems are just now being answered, albeit the prayers have gone to their reward. But what part are we bearing in this most glorious work? Are we as individuals and Churches, doing our full duty? Let our heads bow and our hearts be filled with sorrow and repentance as we look over the letters that

have come from the Churches of Buncombe county to this Association. How many Churches in this Association? *Twenty seven.* How many dollars are reported in the letters to this body for Foreign Missions? *Two hundred and sixty-two dollars and twenty-eight cents* ($262.28). How many of these twenty-seven Churches report contributions to this grand cause? Eleven only!! How many members—"baptised believers"—belong to these twenty-seven Churches? *Between two and three thousand.*

Brethren, is it not high time to awake from this fearful sleep? May we not seriously ask, "Are we ourselves saved?" Have we the spirit of Christ?" "If any man have not the spirit of Christ he is none of his." Will not every pastor, deacon and member, man and woman, lay this thing upon their hearts, and during the year to come pray and give as never before? Do not wait. Begin now. Collect and give and send the amount, much or little, to John D. Brevard, our Treasurer, at Asheville. Don't wait until the end of the year. Send it at once. Men are dying and we must make haste.

W. A. NELSON, Chairman.

On motion, dispensed with the 11 o'clock sermon to proceed with the business of the Association. The congregation engaged in singing "Oh where are the reapers," &c.

Report on Home Missions read by Brother J. A. Porter. Motion to adopt. Speeches by J. A. Porter, Drs. Nelson and Carroll, Elders W. W. Wells and J. M. Hilliard. Report adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee have neither time nor space to touch upon the great works of Home Missions of the Southern Baptist Convention, nor of the work of our Western Baptist Convention, except so far as the work of this Board extends, which labors under the approval of these bodies, and is run with their assistance and co-operation.

The statistics show much effective and good work done in the destitute portions of our Association. They also show that the Board has pushed its work into other mission ground where there was no help and great destitution, having employed and paid a traveling evangelist and missionary to labor regularly in the extreme western borders of our Convention.

The Board began without a dollar to pay for Mission work. But having been assigned to this duty, we earnestly asked God for guidance and a great blessing.

We received encouragement at once by finding "the field truly white unto the harvest" and "the laborers few." We also found willing and consecrated men ready to work, who, in the language of the parable said, "no man hath hired us." These men we sent into the fields with the promise, "Go ye also into the vineyard and labor and whatsoever is right that will I give unto thee."

And God in his own way has supplied the funds. The faithful laborer has been paid his wages. He has blessed with a two fold unction and power his servants who have gone into the work trusting in Him for their reward.

But far more apparent has been the blessing unto those to whom the message has been sent. They have heard the word gladly. Many have been converted. Backsliders have been reclaimed. Hundreds have been aroused to an appreciation of

their danger and insecurity. Feuds in churches and families have been healed. Foundations have been lain for two new churches by the Board, and most of the money has been subscribed to pay for them, and thus the good work moves on.

It was difficult in starting to get sufficient funds to go forward with the work, but some one would be found who could loan the money till we could collect, and so the wheel was kept moving. But now the Board is on a firmer basis All the debts are paid, and we have a small balance in our hands, and still a large portion of our Church pledges not yet paid into our hands. We earnestly urge all our Churches to co-operate with us in this great work which lies at our very doors, not alone with their money, but with their sympathy and prayers.

J. A. PORTER,
A. M. CARROLL,
A. LOCHART.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF EX. BOARD AS KEPT BY J. A. PORTER, CHAIRMAN OF BOARD.

Amounts received by the Board for year ending Aug. 28, '88:

J. A. Porter, by cash	$187 50
First Baptist Church, Asheville	137 10
Gashe's Creek Church	12 82
Morgan Hill Church	11 63
Cane Creek Church	5 00
Mt. Carmel Church	5 00
Mars Hill Woman's Missionary Society	4 19
Beaverdam Church	5 00
Buncombe County Sunday School Convention	10 50
Bent Creek Church	5 00
Flat Creek Church	4 00
Macedonia Church	2 00
Hominy Church	6 60
French Broad Church, Asheville	11 30
Berea Church	5 00
Antioch Church	5 00
On account Colporteur's sales	157 50
On account private contributions through A. I. Justice,	43 75
On account Flat Creek Church for the Reems Creek Church building	9 00
Total	$627 89

Paid out:

B. H. Mathews, Missionary,	$ 48 00
Wm. Ward, Missionary,	65 00
F. M. Jordan, Missionary	187 50
A. I. Justice, Missionary	208 01
Bibles, Testaments, &c., donated	13 95
By balance on hand	105 43
Total	$627 89

Report of labor done by Missionaries of the Board:

Days of service, 504. Miles traveled, 3,740. Sermons delivered, 308. Addresses made, 48. Religious visits, 1,019. Prayer Meetings, 39. Professions witnessed, 88. Baptisms in connection with labor, 41. Total value of all books sold, $143.55. Total number of all books donated, $13.95. Sunday Schools organized, 1. Collections in field on salary, $43.75. Collections for other objects, $15.00.

On motion the following committee was appointed to nominate an Executive Board: S. C. Owen, M. H. Morgan, A. I. Justice, A. E. Brown and W. S. Roberts.

On motion the report on Periodicals was made a special order for 2 o'clock this evening. On motion brother J. A. Porter was appointed to represent our association in the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention which meets in Memphis, Tenn., Friday, May 10th, 1889.

Took recess one hour for dinner.

Benediction by Elder Joseph E. Carter.

SECOND DAY.—EVENING SESSION.

Association re-assembled. Prayer by Elder W. P. Sothern. Called to order by Moderator Morgan. Report on Sunday Schools read by brother A. E. Brown. Motion to adopt. Remarks by A. E. Brown, Jno. W. Starnes, W. A. Nelson, J. L. Carroll, T. J. Hargan and S. C. Owen.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee on Sunday Schools submit the following:

We congratulate the association upon the fact that nearly all of our Churches report flourishing Sunday Schools. This fact, coupled with our personal knowledge of a large number of Sunday Schools not reported, will bear us out in the assertion that the demands of the present times are not so much for *more* schools as for *better* schools. Therefore, Resolved, That we recommend to the Executive Board the importance of appointing a County Superintendent of Sunday Schools, whose duty it shall be to hold a Normal Sunday School Institute on one day of each of our fifth Sunday meetings. It shall also be the duty of the said Superintendent to visit such schools as are in special need of information as to the best methods of conducting a school. The appointment of the County Superintendent and the general supervision of the Sunday School work to be under the Executive Board.

A. E. Brown, Chairman.

The special hour having arrived, the report on Periodicals was read by Elder A. I. Justice. Motion to adopt. Speeches by Elders A. I. Justice, J. M. Hilliard, S. C. Owen, J. E. Carter, J. A. Porter, Drs. J. L. Carroll and T. J. Hargan. Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

In view of the fact that there is no power equal to the printing press in moulding society and imparting information to the public mind, we cannot over estimate the worth and importance of a religious newspaper in the family. Since the last meeting of our association the *Western North Carolina Baptist*, which was the organ of our Convention, has ceased to exist, having been consolidated with the *Biblical Recorder*. The *Recorder* is a paper worthy of commendation and we would be glad to see it in the hands of all our people. But past experience has taught us that our conventional work and cause in general cannot prosper in this mountain country without a

Baptist paper published in our midst. We therefore recommend to the sympathy and support of the Churches of this association the effort which is now being made by a number of our brethren to form a joint stock company for the purpose of starting a paper in Asheville. This plan has been prosecuted for some months with a degree of success. The object of the company is to organize and go to the next session of the Convention ready to start the paper. Ten dollars constitute one share, and one can take as many shares as he chooses. The advantages of this plan is evidently beyond anything that we have ever had. This company, through a board of directors, will control the editorship of such a paper and thereby prevent deformities to which a paper is liable. Also it will be on a financial basis which will commend itself to the patronage of the people as a business matter not beginning to live, and best of all it will be OUR PAPER. We ask this association to endorse this plan by taking stock in the same. For information on Foreign Missions we recommend *The Foreign Mission Journal*, published at Richmond, Va.; on Home Missions, "*Our Home Field*," published at Atlanta, Ga. We also recommend "*Charity and Children*," Thomasville, N. C., published in the interest of the Baptist Orphanage. For Sunday Schools, "*Kind Words*" and *American Baptist Publication Society*, the former Atlanta, Ga., the latter Philadelphia, Pa. Respectfully submitted,

A. I. JUSTICE,
S. C. OWEN, } Committee.
S. J. MORGAN,

Elder C. B. Mingus was invited to a seat with us as correspondent from Haywood county association. The committee on Executive Board recommend the following brethren as worthy of our appointment which was unanimously adopted:

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

J. A. Porter, John P. Morgan, Dr. T. J. Hargan, J. W. Nash, J. H. Stradley, J. H. Woodward and Jason Ashworth.

On motion suspended business in order to solicit subscription for the purpose of forming a stock company to publish a paper in the interest of the Western Baptist Convention.

Report on Temperance read by Elder W. Haynes. Motion to adopt. Remarks by brother Haynes. Report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee, after a careful survey of the field, believes our Churches are standing firmly against the evils of intemperance. Not only so, but making advances all along the lines. Temperance being one of the graces of the Spirit, one of the cardinal virtues, therefore as the first Baptist was prohibited from the use of wine and strong drink, (see Luke 1, 15.) Baptists of to-day should be leaders in this good work.

W. HAYNES, Chairman.

After singing, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow, etc." adjourned till 9 a. m. to-morrow, with benediction by Elder C. B. Mingus.

Preaching at night by Elder W. W. Wells from John 5:39—"Search the Scriptures, etc."

THURSDAY, 9 A. M., AUGUST 30TH.

Association met and spent one half hour in prayer and praise conducted by Elder W. P. Southern. Called to order by Moderator Morgan. Minutes of yesterday read and approved. Report on Education read by Dr. J. L. Carroll. Motion to adopt. Remarks by Dr. Carroll, A. E. Brown, S. C. Owen and A. I. Justice.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

At the last session of our Convention the Education Board was instructed to spend $500, if necessary, in aiding this year suitable young preparing for the ministry. We are pained to learn that not one-half this amount has been sent in by the Church up to this time, and that the Board is threatened with serious embarassment. More than this, an examination of the letters shows that only seven of the twenty-seven Churches of our body have made any contributions at all. This is too important a part of our work to be thus neglected. We beg our Churches not to let this omission happen again. We also commend to the sympathy, prayers and patronage of our brethren Judson College, at Hendersonville, and Collegiate Institute, at Fairview, recently inaugurated. Our people need to be stirred up to the importance of education. Knowledge is power and our denomination in Western North Carolina is in great need of more of it. J. L. CARROLL, Chairman.

On motion the association assumed its proportioned part of the $500 pledged to Judson College by the Convention at its last session. The following resolution by Elder A. I. Justice was edopted: Resolved, That the Churches comprising this association be requested to take up a collection for the Board of Education between now and the next meeting of the Convention, and forward the same to the Board at once.

Report on Baptist Orphanage was read by Dr. J. L. Carroll. Mojion to adopt. Remarks by J. L. Carroll, W. Haynes and E. J. Morgan. Report adopted.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

Your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution: Resolved, That Article 5th of the Constitution be so amended that this object shall be placed among those upon which committees shall be annually appointed, and that we urge and entreat all our Churches to make regular collections for it.

J. L. CARROLL,
W. HAYNES. } Committee.
W. W. WELLS,

Report on time, place and annual sermon adopted.

TIME.—Tuesday before 1st Sunday in September, 1889.

PLACE.—Morgan Hill Church. Introductory sermon by Elder A. I. Justice; alternate, Elder J. M. Hilliard.

On motion of brother J. W. Nash a collection was taken to suppliment amount sent by the Churches for printing minutes. Collection $1.11.

On motion the Clerk was instructed to have the minutes printed and distributed, and that he be paid $10 for his services.

The report on the State of the Churches was read by J. W. Nash. Motion to adopt. Remrrks by brother Nash.

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

Your committee begs leave to submit the following: We find by consulting the letters from the Churches that there has been 267 professions of conversion, and during the same time there has been expended by the Churches for various ol jects $13,-494.40. The majority of our Churches, we are glad to say, are upon a higher plane than heretofore. A few of them however are doing very little if anything in the way of Church work. One Church we notice without a Sunday school, and another without a pastor, in which condition no Church can prosper, therefore your committee would humbly suggest to the Churches of this association a forward movement in all the departments of Church work, in as much as the Master has said to every Christian: 'Go into my vineyard and work."

J. W. NASH, Chairman.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the Executive Board be instructed to communicate in some way, left to their discretion, with the Churches which have failed to represent twice in succession by letter or delegates, and inform them that if they are not represented at our next session, their names will be dropped from our roll.

J. L. CARROLL.

Resolved, That the 2d article of the Constitution be so amended as that the name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of the Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association until its final adjournment. CLERL.

Resolved, That this Association return a vote of thanks to this Church and community for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained this Association. S. C. OWEN.

On motion the Executive Board was instructed to prepare a form of letter from the Churches to the Association and send them to the Churches.

On motion it was ordered that any member of this Association who may be present at any sister Association may be correspodent to the same.

On motion Drs. W. A. Nelson, J. L. Carroll and the Moderator were appointed to prepare an obituary of the death of our Historian, Brother Chas. E. Lee, and that the same be printed in the minutes.

11 o'clock sermon by Dr. W. A. Nelson. Text: "And they came to him from every quarter."

Prayer after sermon by Elder C. B. Mingus.

The congregation engaged in singing, "In the sweet bye and bye," &c. The parting hand was given and the Association adjourned to meet at Morgan Hill Church, 16 miles northeast of Asheville, on Tuesday before the 1st Sunday in Sept., 1889.

JOHN P. MORGAN,
Moderator.

F. MARION WILLIAMS, *Clerk.*

Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and that their works do follow them.
——(Rev. 14:13.)——

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE OF

CHARLES E. LEE,

—HISTORIAN OF—

BUNCOMBE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

Died August 9th, 1888, – – – Aged 37 Years.

In duty always willing, prompt, capable and efficient. As Deacon of his Church, Superintendent of the S. S. or a worker among his brethren, he was lovable and beloved in an eminent degree.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Superintendents.	Officers and teachers.	Pupils.	Average attendance.	Professions in Sunday school.	Baptisms.	Collected for support of school.	Collected for city mission stations.	Collected for ministerial education.	Collected for other objects.	Literature used	Total money raised.
Asheville, 1st Church	Dr. D. T. Millard	25	388	203	47	47	$148 39	$52 83	$140 00	$120 00	Baptist	$461 22
*West End Mission	J. R. Patterson	11	132	53	....	....	62 88	....	....	....	do	62 88
*Southside Av. Mission	I. H. Gorenflo	7	94	46	....	....	13 71	....	....	....	do	13 71
*Academy St. Mission	W. W. Carroll	7	67	41	....	....	22 99	....	....	....	do	22 99
*Seney St. Mission	A. Shell	8	54	47	....	....	3 26	....	....	....	do	3 26
Antioch	Daniel Wright	7	80	47	6	....	8 00	....	....	10 00	do	18 00
Bethel	H. H. Jarrett	5	46	30	3	....	6 50	....	....	....	do	6 50
Berea	J. A. Reed	6	67	50	4	4	7 00	....	....	3 00	do	10 00
Beaver Dam	J. A. Stradley	7	47	33	....	....	2 72	....	....	6 16	do	8 88
Cane Creek	A. H. Pinkerton	8	61	43	2	....	14 10	....	....	14 00	do	28 10
Gashes Creek	M. L. Reed	7	82	65	8	....	....	....	....	....	do	....
Morgan Hill	J. C. Sams	9	131	84	....	....	10 00	....	....	....	do	10 00
Mount Carmel	J. W. Nash	9	133	62	4	....	7 00	....	....	....	do	7 00
French Broad, Asheville	Dr. T. J. Hargan	16	135	75	....	....	....	....	....	....	do	146 15
Vernon Hill	James Ingle	6	60	30	2	....	....	....	....	....	do	....
White Rock	D. N. Curtis	10	70	35	1	....	3 36	....	....	....	do	3 36
Pleasant Hill	W. L. Kuykendall	5	40	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	do	....
Hominy	W. H. Green	8	75	45	14	14	19 53	....	....	8 00	do	27 53
Total		161	1,762	1,019	91	65	329 44	52 83	140 00	161 16		829 58

* These Schools, all in Asheville, are the work of the First Baptist Church.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

Churches.	Clerks.	Post Offices.	Church Constituted.	Sabbath of Meeting.	Value of Church Property.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Dead.	Present Membership. Males	Female.	Total.
Asheville, 1st Church	A. D. Cooper	Asheville	1829	*	$10000	94	57	5	32	20	3	205	268	473
Antioch	J. H. Woodward.	Democrat	1883	3	800	24	13	2	4	3	2	45	76	121
Avery's Creek														
Bethel	James Cowan	Hazel	1855	4	518	8	8	1	8	6		27	43	70
Big Ivy	G. D. Carter	Democrat	1823	2	700									
Berea	B. G. Shope.	Riceville	1853			6	1		3	1	2	36	62	98
Black Mountain														
Beaver Dam	E. P. Stradley	Asheville	1885	3	1400	2	2		7			20	12	32
Bent Creek	M. B. Cagle.	Vernon	1845	2			3		12	5	2	32	48	80
Cane Creek	P. M. Freeman.	Fairview	1806	4	800	6	15	2	4	5	7	87	128	215
Concord, †			1853	1										
Flat Creek	W. S. Roberts	Flat Creek	1811	1	600	17	13		8	1		50	76	126
French Broad, Asheville	Geo. E. Jordan.	Asheville	1887	*		5	31		3	2	3	35	61	96
Gashe's Creek	R. C. Sales		1856	2-4		14	1	1	7	11	1	47	65	112
Hominy	B. L. Morgan.	Candler	1812		1800	30	14	2	7	2	3	52	76	128
Morgan Hill	W. W. Morgan.	Morgan Hill	1866	4	800	15	5	1	11		1	53	96	149
Macedonia	J. B. Gosnell	Owenby	1869	2	800	5	5		3	2				37
Mount Carmel	T. P. Brookshire.	Owenby	1885	1	800	10	5		7	1	1	44	59	103
New Salem	W. R. Murray	Busbee	1818	4		8	1	2	1	2	1	31	39	70
N. F. Swannanoa †			1828	2										
Pleasant Hill	W. D. Black		1879	1	400	8	5		2		1	21	30	51
Reem's Creek †			1852	3										
Swannanoa †			1883	3	600									
Sugar Camp Branch †														
Trinity	John Holcomb.					1	10		8					35
Vernon Hill	E. G. Rhodes.	Vernon	1883	3		3			3					49
White Rock	J. C. Bird.	Glady	1881	4	1000	14	2		4	2	1	41	48	89
					$21018	340	191	16	134	63	28			2134

* Every Sabbath. † Not represented.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Pastor's salary	Incidental ch expenses.	Associational missions.	Home missions.	Foreign missions.	Church building and repairs.	Baptist orphanage.	Ministerial education.	Support of poor.	Minute fund.	All other objects.	Total money raised.
Asheville, 1st Church	W. A. Nelson	$1,527 77	$281 89	$120 00	$158 04	$172 08	*$880 04	$16 10	$25 00	$506 72	$5 00	.....	$3,692 64
Antioch	W. T. Bradley	50 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	200 00	.....	.....	6 70	1 75	.....	263 45
Avery's Creek †		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethel	M. C. Compton	60 00	4 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 05	.....	65 50
Big Ivy †	W. A. Roberson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Berea	J. M. Hilliard	150 00	6 00	5 00	.....	15 00	400 00	.....	5 00	6 00	1 25	26 00	618 65
Black Mountain †		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beaver Dam	J. M. Hilliard	60 00	15 64	.....	5 00	2 90	.....	.....	5 00	.....	1 00	21 00	113 24
Bent Creek	James Plemmons	50 00	2 65	.....	5 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	60 65
Cane Creek	J. W. Anderson	100 00	46 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 60	.....	147 60
Concord †		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradley	56 00	.....	13 50	.....	4 90	.....	.....	.....	2 15	2 25	.....	78 80
French Broad, Asheville	J. L. Carroll	.....	.....	.....	11 30	26 00	.....	25 00	5 50	.....	2 00	.....	69 80
Gashes Creek	J. W. Anderson	80 00	50 00	56 00	8 47	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	205 97
Hominy	S. C. Owen	200 00	33 20	10 00	.....	8 57	1,400 00	.....	15 00	.....	2 00	.....	1,668 80
Morgan Hill	S. M. Collis	125 00	15 25	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	152 25
Macedonia	G. W. Gosnell	40 00	.....	.....	2 50	3 21	300 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	346 71
Mount Carmel	J. M. Hilliard	75 00	10 00	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	1 00	18 00	119 00
New Salem	G. W. Bartlett	40 00	.....	50	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	47 00
North Fork Swannanoa		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill	G. W. Gosnell	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	1 00
Reems Creek †		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Swannanoa †		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sugar Creek Branch †		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Trinity	S. C. Owen	24 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	24 50
Vernon Hill	E. J. Morgan	25 00	1 25	2 38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	29 38
White Rock	....do	50 00	9 00	.....	3 50	3 50	35 00	.....	3 00	.....	1 05	10 00	115 15
Total		2,712 77	475 38	217 41	203 81	2,591 16	3,215 04	41 10	63 55	520 61	28 20	75 00	7,821 09

* $810.50 was contributed to church buildings elsewhere.

† Not represented.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

Section 1. This body shall be known as the "BUNCOMBE COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION."

ARTICLE II.—CONSTITUENCY.

Sec. 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for. Provided, however, That any church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Sec. 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor, and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

Sec. 3. The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body, without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE III.—OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.—OBJECT.

Sec. 1. It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the Western Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

ARTICLE V.—COMMITTEES.

Sec. 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday Schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place, and Annual Sermon of the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of said committees to report, in writing, on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

ARTICLE VI.—EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Sec. 1. This body shall at each Annual Meeting appoint an Executive Board of seven judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of the Western Baptist Convention in supplying the destitution within our bounds.

ARTICLE VII.—CHURCH LETTERS.

Sec. 1. The church letter shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; name of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership with their postoffice; number baptized, received by letter, restored dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members, time of prayer meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, home missions, foreign missions, education, Sunday-school and Bible missions, and if for any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday-school to be as follows: State whether Baptist or Union; number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and postoffice of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.—BY-LAWS.

Sec. 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE IX.—MEETING.

Sec. 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.—PRINTING.

Sec. 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI.—CORRESPONDENCE.

Sec. 1. This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII.—FAITH.

Sec. 1. This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Sec. 2. As an abstract of Faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII.—AMENDMENT.

Sec. 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

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MINUTES

OF THE

EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Buncombe County Baptist Association,

HELD WITH

MORGAN HILL CHURCH,

August 27th to 29th, 1889.

Compiled by F. MARION WILLIAMS, Clerk.

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

MODERATOR, - - Elder Amos I. Justice, Owenby, N. C.
CLERK, - - - - - - - F. M. Williams, Owenby, N. C.
TREASURER, - - - - - E. H. Wright, Asheville, N. C.
HISTORIAN, - - - - - - - - - Elder A. I. Justice.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Thos. Stradley,	Asheville, N. C.	W. Haynes,	Best, N. C.
W. A. Nelson,	" "	James Plemmons,	" "
Jno. K. Connally,	" "	A. S. Whitaker,	" "
J. W. Anderson,	" "	D. B. Nelson,	" "
W. P. Southern,	" "	T. K. Brown,	Black Mountain "
J. L. Carroll,	" "	H. D. Brown,	" " "
W. T. Bradley,	Morgan Hill, "	G. A. Bartlett,	" " "
S. J. Morgan,	" " "	E. Morgan,	Candler, "
J. J. Greenwood,	" " "	S. C. Owen,	" "
M S. Proffit,	" " "	E J. Morgan,	Glady, "
A. I. Justice,	Owenby, "	L. Y. Israel,	" "
G. W. Gosnell,	" "	W. L. Kuykendall,	Alexander, "

S. W. Mitchell, Coopers, N. C.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

John P. Morgan.
S. W. Mitchell.
W. S. Roberts.
J. W. Nash.
J. M. Brookshire.
T. J. Hargan.
J. H. Stradley.

The next session of the Buncombe County Association will be held with Gash's Creek Church, four miles southeast of Asheville, beginning on Tuesday before the first Sunday in September, 1890.

Introductory sermon by Elder H. D. Brown.

PROCEEDINGS.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27TH, 1889.

The Buncombe County Baptist Association of North Carolina met to-day in its eighth annual session with Morgan Hill Church. Prayer and praise service for half an hour conducted by Moderator J. P. Morgan. At 11 o'clock a. m. introductory sermon by Elder A. I. Justice; scripture reading, Proverbs third chapter. Text: "But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light."—1 Peter, 2:9. Prayer by Elder John Ammons, of the French Broad Association. Recess one hour. Benediction by Elder S. Wallen.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

The Association re-assembled. Singing by Morgan Hill choir. Prayer, led by Elder T. J. Murphey, of the Nolachucky Association, Tenn. Called to order by former Moderator, J. P. Morgan. Appointed Jno. W. Starnes and A. E. Brown reading clerks. Letters were read and delegates enrolled as follows.

Asheville 1st Church—Dr. W. A. Nelson, Pastor; brethren J. P. Morgan and John W. Starnes.

French Broad, Asheville—A. M. Carroll, A. N. LaPierre and J. D. Boone.

Antioch—Z. J. Carter, E. B. Goldsmith, P. M. Loving, Jas. H. Woodward and E. P. Hensley.

Avery's Creek—Not represented.

Bethel—Not represented.

Big Ivy—Joel Brigman, W. H. Hurst, W. Greenwood, A. B. Greenwood and S. J. Carter.

Berea—Elder H. D. Brown, Pastor.

Black Mountain—Delegates all absent without permission.

Beaverdam—Elder H. D. Brown, Pastor; E. B. Stradley.

Bent Creek—Thos. Stradley and Jas. M. Davis.

Coopers—Elder S. W. Mitchell, W. A. Mitchell, and W. T. McDonald.

Cane Creek—A. E. Brown and M. S. Miller.

Concord—Not represented.

Flat Creek—A. Lochart, J. P. Killpatrick, S. Morgan, W. S. Roberts and W. H. Robinson.

Gash's Creek—J. M. Brookshire, B. A. Whitaker and R. W. Hare.

Hominy—M. H. Morgan, J. J. Miller, J. R. Hyatt and F. P. Morgan.

Morgan Hill—Elder W. T. Bradley, Pastor; J. H. Gentry, S. R. Williams, J. C. Sams, H. B. Mills, T. C. Morgan, R. P. Lewellyn and M. N. Bradley.

Macedonia—J. J. Hayse, M. C. Sluder and Julius Hayse.

Mount Carmel—Elder A. I. Justice, F. M. Williams, J. W. Nash, T. P. Brookshire and Larkin Plemmons.

New Salem—W. R. West and D. P. Lance.

N. F. Swannanoa—Elder G. A. Bartlett, Pastor, and John Daugherty.

Oak Grove—W. H. Hooker.

Pleasant Hill—James Moore.

Reems Creek—J. Merrell.

Trinity—W. M. Cook.

Vernon Hill—Not represented.

White Rock—P. A. Smathers and G. W. Peeles.

Newly constituted churches were called for and letters presented from Fern Hill and New Morgan Hill, and on motion of Dr. Nelson delegates were enrolled.

Fern Hill—Elder A. S. Whitaker, M. D.

New Morgan Hill—S. M. Morgan, and L. W. Cagle.

The Association next went into the election of officers. Result of election as follows:

Elder A. I. Justice, Moderator; F. M. Williams, Clerk; E. H. Wright, Treasurer.

On motion, postponed the election of an Historian until after the present Historian's report is read.

On motion, Dr. W. A. Nelson, Elders W. T. Bradley and S. J. Morgan were appointed a committee to examine Articles of Faith, etc., of Fern Hill and New Morgan Hill Churches and report on their reception. The committee reports favorable and the Churches are received. On motion of A. E. Brown the order of business of last year is adopted as follows:

REPORT ON ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Meet at 9 a. m.; spend half hour in devotional exercises. (2) Read minutes of yesterday. (3) Call for correspondents and delegates who may have arrived since yesterday. (4) Reports of committees. (5) Sermon at 11 a. m. (6) Intermission. (7) Meet at 1 p. m. (8) Adjourn at will.

Called for corresponding messengers from sister associations and the following presented themselves:

French Broad—Elders John Ammons and S. Wallen.

Nolachucky, Tenn.—Elder T. J. Murphy.

New Providence, Tenn.—John Sams.

Yancey County—Elder W. A. Robertson.

Visiting brethren representing denominational interests were invited to seats in the body, and the following presented themselves and were warmly welcomed:

Dr. N. B. Cobb, from the Anson Association, and financial agent of Judson College; Dr. Richard H. Lewis, president of Judson College; J. W. Oliver, treasurer N. C. Baptist Orphanage and editor of "Charity and Children;" Elder J. C. Stowell, representing the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

On motion of Dr. Nelson it was agreed that any member of this Association who may be present at any sister

Association be instructed to represent himself as a correspondent.

On motion Dr. W. A. Nelson was appointed delegate to the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention to be held in Fort Worth, Texas, in May, 1890, with J. W. Starnes and J. M. Brookshire alternates.

Appointed the following committees to prepare reports for this meeting:

Home Missions—J. C. Stowell, G. A. Bartlett and J. W. Nash.

Foreign Missions—W. A. Nelson, John Ammons and T. J. Murphy.

Education—John W. Starnes, A. M. Carroll and H. D. Brown.

Periodicals—A. E. Brown, John P. Morgan and J. W. Oliver.

Temperance—N. B. Cobb, S. J. Morgan, S. Morgan and W. A. Robertson.

Sunday Schools—Dr. R. H. Lewis, A. S. Whitaker, W. T. Bradley, J. C. Sams, T. C. Morgan, J. M. Brookshire and Joel Brigman.

Baptist Orphanage—J. W. Oliver, A. N. LaPierre and S. W. Mitchell.

Time, Place and Annual Sermon—J. D. Boone, M. S. Miller, E. B. Stradley, W. S. Roberts, J. J. Hayse, J. J. Greenwood and T. A. Smathers.

Finance—T. C. Morgan, J. H. Woodward and J. M. Davis.

Nomination of Executive Board—W. A. Nelson, W. H. Hooker and S. M. Morgan.

On motion the report on the Baptist Orphanage was made a special order for to-morrow, 9 a. m., to be followed by the consideration of reports on Education and Home Missions.

On motion adjourned till 8:30 a. m. to-morrow.

Benediction by Elder H. D. Brown.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 28TH.

The Association assembled pursuant to adjournment. Devotional exercises conducted by Bro. J. M. Brookshire. Called to order by Moderator Justice. Minutes of yesterday read, amended and adopted.

The appointment of committee on state of the church being overlooked at the proper time, is appointed as follows: A. E. Brown, J. H. Morgan and the moderator.

According to special order the report on Baptist Orphanage was read by J. W. Oliver.

Report on Baptist Orphanage.

The North Carolina Baptist Orphanage is the property and is principally supported by the Baptists of North Carolina. Though only four years old their work has advanced rapidly through the generosity and Christianity of our people. Four homes have been completed, and the fifth, a nursery, is in progress of erection. Three hundred acres of land have been purchased and almost paid for. God is in our work and God is our helper, but He helps through His people. It appeals to our brethren of the Western Convention for their help. God will give us power and advancement as a denomination as we show our religion and obey His commands by caring for the lost and helpless. We recommend that a committee of one be appointed in each of our churches to work for the orphanage, and that their names be printed in the minutes, for the benefit of the orphanage in sending out circulars containing information of the needs and work of the institution.

Let our brethren remember that *Charity and Children* is given to any one who gives a dollar or more to the orphanage. It should have a wide circulation. More than $800 indebtedness had to be reported at the last annual meeting. The orphanage is greatly in need of funds at present. One hundred and ten children are now here for support and training, and God has laid upon the Baptists the duty and privilege of doing this for His glory and the good of humanity. Let us supply every real need, and have an orphanage worthy our name and prosperity, worthy the God we worship and worthy the

advancement He has given us. Let us have an orphanage that will be the pride of North Carolina —an orphanage that will rescue thousands of helpless children from the thraldom and servile bondage of ignorance and sin.

J. W. Oliver.
A. N. LaPierre,
S. W. Mitchell,
Committee.

Motion to adopt. Impressive remarks by Bro. Oliver, at the close of which several subscribers to *Charity and Children* were secured, and a collection for the orphanage taken, in all amounting to $15.35.

On motion the churches were called, and one in each of the following churches appointed (as recommended by the report) whose duty it shall be to collect means for the support of the orphanage, and forward the same to the treasurer of the Western Baptist Convention:

Asheville—1st church, Mrs. G. W. Purefoy, Asheville postoffice.

Antioch—Mrs. James J. Greenwood, Morgan Hill.

Bethel—Douglas Wild, Owenby.

Big Ivy—Mrs. J. J. Greenwood, Barnardsville.

Berea—Mrs. Mary Alexander, Black Mountain.

Black Mountain—Mrs. Myra Burleson, Barnardsville.

Bent Creek—Miss Lottie Creaseman, Demia.

Beaverdam—Mrs. J. H. Stradley, Asheville.

Cane Creek—A. E. Brown, Fairview.

Concord—A. E. Brown, proxy, Fairview.

Flat Creek—W. S. Roberts, Stocksville.

French Broad, Asheville—Mrs. E. J. Tyler, Asheville.

Gashes Creek—Mrs. M. C. Causey and Mrs. M. L. Reid, Best.

Hominy—Miss Mary Young, Candlers.

Morgan Hill—Mrs. H. B. Miles, Morgan Hill.

Macedonia—Mrs. Hiram Buckner, Owenby.

Mt. Carmel—F. Sluder, Juno.

New Salem—Miss Nannie West, Busbee.

N. F. Swannanoa—J. L. Burnett, Black Mountain.

Pleasant Hill—A. E. Ellington, Alexanders.
Reems Creek—Mrs. G. W. Merrell, Weaverville.
Coopers—Mrs. Cora Mitchell, Coopers.
Oak Grove—Eddie and Miss Dulcena Roberts, Jupiter.
Trinity—Miss Maggie Starnes, Candler.
Vernon Hill—Mrs. J. B. Ingle, Vernon.
White Rock—T. J. Morgan, Glady.
New Morgan Hill—Mrs. L. J. Case, Candler.
Fern Hill—T. J. Reed, Best.

Report on orphanage adopted.

The Association engaged in singing "There's a Land that is Fairer than Day," &c.

On motion of J. W. Nash all speeches (except those by brethren representing denominational interests) were limited to ten minutes.

The report on education was read by J. W. Starnes.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We are very much pleased to note the continued interest in the cause of education in our Association. This is an evidence of the uplifting of our people, and will bring forth much good in the early future.

When people are found who are willing to sacrifice personal comfort to obtain means for the education of their children, they will receive the affection and thanks of their posterity and will confer lasting benefits on society at large. God has given minds to be improved, and He blesses those who improve them for His honor and glory. We call attention to Fairview Collegiate Institute under the charge of Prof. W. A. G. Brown. This is a worthy school doing good work. Our Judson College at Hendersonville under the presidency of Dr. R. H. Lewis is, we are glad to say, better prepared for work than ever before. The president is a Christian gentleman of decided scholarly attainments and long experience as an educator. Your committee feel safe in saying that if Judson College receives the support due it that it will soon rank with the best institutions in the State. A majority of the stockholders have donated their shares to the Western Baptist Convention. The buildings and grounds are property of our denomination. Dr. N. B.

Cobb is now financial agent to solicit funds to move the indebtedness. We recommend that the indebtedness be relieved as speedily as possible, and the college endowed. And to this end we suggest the appointment of an agent in every church in this Association to solicit funds for that purpose.

Submitted,

JOHN W. STARNES,
A. M. CARROLL,
H. D. BROWN,
Committee.

Motion to adopt. Remarks by Dr. R. H. Lewis, Jno. W. Starnes and Dr. N. B. Cobb.

On motion, the committee (recommended in the report to work for the college) were appointed in each of the following churches:

Antioch—J. J. Greenwood,	Morgan Hill,	P. O.
Bethel—F. P. Ingle,	Juno,	"
Big Ivy—A. I. Ingle,	Barnardsville,	"
Black Mountain—A. J. Greenwood,	"	"
Berea—J. A. Reed,	Black Mountain,	"
Beaver Dam—J. H. Stradley,	Asheville,	"
Bent Creek—Jos. M. Davis,	Vernon,	"
Cane Creek—Jason Ashworth,	Fairview,	"
Flat Creek—J. H. Sams,	Stocksville,	"
French Broad, Asheville—Miss Cora Drummond,	Asheville,	"
Gashes Creek—M. L. Reed,	Best,	"
Hominy—F. P. Morgan,	Candler,	"
Morgan Hill—T. C. Morgan,	Morgan Hill,	"
Macedonia—J. J. Hayse,	Owenby,	"
Mt. Carmel—J. W. Nash,	Juno,	"
New Salem—J. C. Murrry,	Busbee,	"
N. F. Swannanoa—John Burnett,	Black Mountain,	"
Pleasant Hill—W. M. Allen,	Alexander,	"
Reems Creek—W. C. Sams,	Beech,	"
Cooper's—L. McDonnell,	Cooper's,	"
Oak Grove—W. H. Hooker,	Alexander,	"
Trinity—W. M. Cook,	Candler,	"

Vernon Hill—J. B. Ingle,	Vernon,	"
White Rock—G. W. Peebles,	Glady,	"
New Morgan Hill—S. L. Morgan,	Candler,	"
Fern Hill—T. J. Reed,	Best,	"

Dr. A. S. Whitaker and John W. Starnes were excused for the rest of the session.

Sermon at 11 a. m., by Elder J. C. Stowell, presenting at the close the work of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and securing a large list of subscribers to the *Home Field.* Took a recess for one hour. Benediction by Elder John Ammons.

Wednesday Afternoon.

Association re-assembled pursuant to adjournment.

Song, "There is a fountain filled with blood."

Called to order by Moderator Justice.

Resumed the consideration of the report on Education. Remarks by A. E. Brown and A. M. Carroll, Report adopted. Bro. J. C. Sams was received as correspondent from the French Broad Association.

Elder T. M. Honeycutt was warmly welcomed to a seat as visitor from the Ashe and Alleghany Association.

The report on Home Missions was read by Elder J. C. Stowell, and on motion it was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON HOME-MISSIONS.

The Home-Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is doing a grand work for the Master's kingdom in the Southern States and in Cuba. The number of missionaries employed for the past year was 328, and an increase of 45 over last year. The number of baptisms from their efforts was 4,837, while the total additions to Baptist Church were 8,402. The number of Baptist churches was 328. The number of Sunday-school organized 343, with a total average attendance of 10,170. They have distributed 850,000 pages of printed religious literature, and 5,000 Bibles. The work has been done in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Indian Territory, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Maryland Missouri,

Texas, Tennessee, West Virginia, Virginia and North Carolina, and also Cuba. In order to bring this great work more closely to the hearts of the people, the Board began, last October, the publication of the *Home Field*, a beautifully printed eight-page paper, which is ably edited and is full of valuable instruction and entertainment, and ought to be a regular visitor in the home of every Baptist in the land, and the price of a year's subscription being 25 cents, all are advised to subscribe for it. The actual demand for the gospel among our heathen at home makes the necessity of larger contributions from those who are enjoying the gospel given to them through the efforts of others in days gone by. The work of the Board, this year, will require the expenditure of $100,000, of which North Carolina is asked to contribute $6,000, which we can easily do if a systematic and equitably arranged effort is made.

Your Committee recommend that a committee be appointed by this body, whose duty shall be to correspond with the Board, and to work up a proper interest in the churches of this Association and see to it that a collection be taken in each church for this work sometime between now and April, 1890. Said committee to consist of one member in each church in this Association, and that their names and post office address be printed in the minutes of this body, and the contributions forwarded to A. H. Cobb, treasurer, Asheville.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Stowell, Ch'm'n. Committee.

Granted W. H. Robertson and James Moore leave of absence.

The Association engaged in singing "How Firm a Foundation," &c.

Report on Foreign Missions read by Elder John Ammons. Motion to adopt.

Remarks by Bro. Ammons, W. A. Nelson, T. J. Murphy, A. E. Brown and T. M. Honeycutt. Took a collection for Foreign Missions amounting to $5.52.

Elder W. M. Jamison was invited to a seat in the body as correspondent from the French Broad Association. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee, to whom was committed the duty of reporting on the subject of Foreign Missions, rejoice that the darkness is past and the true light now shineth. Very few of our people need any argument to prove the propriety of Foreign Missions. Many, in former years regarded our efforts in Foreign Missions as an experiment of doubtful propriety; but that is all past now. The spirit of Missions is recognized as the Spirit of Christ—in this light the duty of preaching the gospel in all the world is seen and confessed. The Baptists of this generation are more and more brought to realize the obligation to send the gospel to the heathen. We are therefore not so much under necessity to inquire after the way and point it out to our people as to rally our forces, equip them for action and to encourage them to go forth and take the world for our Lord Jesus. God has within these last years wonderfully opened up the Pagan world to Mission labors. All parts of China are now open to our missionaries. Famine and flood have as pioneers given our missionaries access to millions of perishing souls; while God has been guiding our brethren into the interior of China and giving them power with the people. The Foreign Board, had it the means, could find work for a hundred missionaries.

Africa, since the opening up of the Congo, gives us access to all that dark land with more than two hundred millions perishing souls. Europe so long cursed with Catholicism is more open now to Protestant Christianity than ever before; even Russia whose proscription has reigned undisturbed for ages is just now about to become tolerant of other forms of Christianity than that of the Patriarch of Constantinople or Greek Catholicism.

South America and Mexico are calling for help. God not only giving us access to these Catholic cursed lands, but gives us favor with the rulers. The Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has missionaries in most of these countries, and these missionaries have been wonderfully prospered.

North Carolina may well be proud of her record, and yet she might have done much more; seventeen missionaries actually engaged in the work she may thank God and take courage. Through the labors of Dr. Yates,

the vast moral wastes of China have been opened to missionary labors, and the signs of the times seem to indicate that God intends to give North Carolina the privilege of taking China for our king. There are Bryan, Herring, Britton, Tatum and Bostic, and their wives not only holding the fort, but pushing their way into the very heart of this dark land.

The Board asks us to raise, this year, eleven thousand dollars; we ought to make it twenty thousand. The small amount of twenty cents to the member would give us more than the sum. The churches in the Western Baptist Convention ought to raise three or four thousand, and this Association might easily raise six hundred dollars of that amount. Let us attempt great things for God and expect great blessings from Him. The committee wishes to emphasize the duty of all the pastors to take stated collections for Foreign Missions and forward the amount to A. H. Cobb, Treasurer of our Convention, at Asheville.

W. A. Nelson,
John Ammons,
T. J. Murphy,
Committee.

On motion, the consideration of report of Executive Board was made the special order for 9 a. m. to-morrow; followed by report on Periodicals.

Appointed delegates to the Western Baptist Convention, as follows: John P. Morgan, W. T. Bradley, G. A. Bartlett, J. C. Sams and W. H. Hooker.

The report on Temperance was read by the clerk.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee are informed that there is not a church in this Association that tolerates the making and vending of intoxicating liquors or the selling of fruit and grain to distillers of the same. But we are sorry to report that some of our members seem not to be fully convinced of the evils of moderate dram drinking, and the tendency of their example is to mislead the youth of our country. As drunkenness usually originates in moderate drinking, we advise our brethren to abstain altogether from the use of intoxicating liquors.

N. B. Cobb, Chairman.

Motion to adopt. Remarks by Elders S. J. Morgan, G. A. Bartlett, J. W. Nash and W. H. Hooker. Report adopted.

On motion, adjourned to 8.30 a. m. Thursday.

Benediction by Elder T. M. Honeycutt.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 29TH.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Devotional exercises conducted by Dr. W. A. Nelson.

Called to order by Moderator Justice. Minutes of yesterday read, and adopted. Called the roll and marked absentees.

Received as correspondent from Nolachucky Association, Tennessee, Dr. Wm. Smith.

Treasurer's report of the Executive Board read by clerk.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

EXPENDED.

Aug. 31, F. M. Williams (Clerk)	$10 00
" " J. N. Morgan, book	1 25
Nov. 6, W. P. Southern, Miss	24 42
Dec. 1, " " "	10 00
" " A. I. Justice Miss	10 00
" " F. M. Jordan, evangelist,	10 60
" 17, W. P. Southern, Miss	10 00
April 1, 1889, A. I. Justice, Miss	10 16
May 1, " " "	6 95
Jan. 30, W. P. Southern, Miss	10 00
Feb. 5, A. I. Justice, Miss	16 76
Mar. 6, W. P. Southern, Miss	10 00
April 4, " " "	10 00
May 2, " " "	10 00
" 31, " " "	10 00
Aug. 5, " " "	50 00
" 26, " " "	20 00
Balance on hand,	7 74
	$237 88

RECEIVED.

Aug. 31, Berea Church,	$4 25
First Church, Asheville, at sundry times,	221 66
Buncombe County Union,	3 59
Beaverdam Church,	3 38
Antioch Church,	5 00
	$237 88

CHURCH BUILDING FUND—REEMS CREEK.

EXPENSES.

Nov. 30, W. C. Sams,	$11 00
April 1, A. I. Justice,	10 00
May 1, " "	2 50
	$23 50

RECEIPTS.

Nov. 27, J. A. Porter,	$5 00
" " A. H. Cobb,	5 00
" " Mrs. John Bookshire,	1 00
April 27, J. H. Stradley,	2 50
" " W. A. Nelson,	5 00
" " J. M. Brookshire,	5 00
	$23 50

Motion to adopt. Pending the adoption of the report, on motion, the report on State of the Churches was read and the two reports considered jointly.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

From the letters we gather the following facts:

1st. Some of the letters show a decrease in membership, while none show any considerable increase.

2d. We find the average pastor's salary, outside of Asheville, to be about $35 per year.

3d. We find that our Churches are improving in discipline.

We would invite your attention to Concord and Avery's Creek Church, as worthy of help. We would urge our pastors to greater effort in teaching the duty and grace of giving. We would recommend our Churches to hold regular Bible readings.

A number of elegant new houses of worship have recently been built. Two new Churches have been added to our list.

A. E. BROWN, Chairman.

Remarks on the reports by G. A. Bartlett, J. M. Brookshire, J. P. Morgan, A. E. Brown, W. A. Nelson and J. W. Nash. Reports adopted.

Elder L. W. Sams was invited to a seat, as correspondent from the French Broad Association.

The report on periodicals was read by A. E. Brown, as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The power of the press has been felt in all lands and in all departments of work, but in no department more than in the religious. To undertake to prosecute the mission work of the Western Baptist Convention, without a paper especially devoted to that work, would be the crowning of all follies. This was so keenly felt at the suspension of the *Western North Carolina Baptist* that a company of devoted brethren started the ASHEVILLE BAPTIST, which is ably edited by Elder D. B. Nelson, and should be in every Baptist family in the west. We also recommend such papers as the Biblical Recorder, Foreign Mission Journal, Home Field and Charity and Children. Let every pastor in this Association consider himself an agent for the ASHEVILLE BAPTIST and present its claims on all proper occasions.

A. E. BROWN,
JOHN P. MORGAN,
Committee.

Motion to adopt. Remarks by A. E. Brown and S. W. Mitchell.

Time was given and subscribers taken for the ASHEVILLE BAPTIST.

Report adopted.

11 a. m. Suspended the regular order for preaching until the close of the business of the Association.

The Committee to nominate Executive Board submitted their report, which was, on motion, adopted. (See page 2).

The report on Sunday Schools was read by Elder H. D. Brown.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Association is to be congratulated on the fact that about all of the Churches report flourishing Sunday schools. This is indeed encouraging, and we have great reason to rejoice in the prosperity of our Sunday school work. At the recent session of the Sunday School Con-

vention, at Cane Creek, Bro. A. E. Brown was appointed County Superintendent of the Sunday schools. We bespeak for him the prayers, sympathy and hearty support of the Churches in his labors. Your Committee earnestly urge that more attention be given to the infant classes. It was a distinguished Catholic minister who said "Give me the first seven years of a child's life and then you may take it." The impressions are then made, though the Protestant world does not seem to realize this. We seem to think any one will do to teach the children. Let each Sunday school select the very best teacher in the Church for this class, and results glorious and lasting will follow. We also urge the importance of using the graded lesson helps in all the schools. We recommend the literature of the American Baptist Publication Society, at Philadelphia, also the Kind Words published at Atlanta.

H. D. Brown, Chairman.

Motion to adopt. Remarks by H. D. Brown, A. E. Brown, S. W. Mitchell and J. C. Sams.

Report adopted.

Report on time, place and annual sermon read by J. D. Brown, and on motion, adopted.

Time—Tuesday before the first Sunday in September, 1890.

Place—Gashe's Creek Church.

To preach the annual sermon—Elder H. D. Brown.

Alternate—Elder A. N. LaPierre.

Ordered, that the clerk superintend printing and distributing of minutes, and that he be allowed $10 for his services.

A collection of $1.10 was taken to supplement amount sent by Churches for printing of minutes.

In the absence of the Historian, and by his request, the report was read by A. M. Carroll.

HISTORY

OF

The Buncombe County Association.

FROM AUG. '88 TO AUG. '89.

Another year of the history of the Buncombe County Association has passed, leaving on record, the acts of its laity, the successes of its ministry, the achievements of its churches and pleasant reminiscences of its departed. Upon every page we find a verification of that glorious promise "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." His blessing has been upon us, and even in our afflictions he has sustained us. Let us look back over the way He has lead us this past year and see how good the Lord has been to us. We have been glad to to add to the fellowship of our Association two new churches, Fern Hill and New Morgan Hill The former has built a very neat and convenient house of worship costing $1,350.00, and has as its pastor, Rev. D. B. Nelson, Editor of the *Asheville Baptist.* We are glad to welcome him into our Association from that of Henderson County. The latter has as its pastor, Rev. S. C. Owen and is beginning in a very promising manner Three of our older churches have also built new houses of worship, the French Broad in Asheville, which has a handsome church edifice, costing, with the lot, about $6,500; the Flat Creek with a neat $1,200 house; and the North Fork of Ivy who have one nearing completion. This shows progress among our people. A new Baptist school, under the name of the Fairview Collegiate Institute, with Prof. W. A. G. Brown, as principal, has passed through one session of extensive patronage and successful operation. We are glad to see that our people are taking so much interest in our schools generally. One of our most useful and best pastors has left us to go to another field, Rev. J. M. Hilliard. We miss his genial presence and practical words greatly, but are glad to welcome in his place our young brother, Rev. H. D. Brown, who gives great promise of usefulness. May God's blessing be with him in the work!

A new paper has been started in our county, the *Asheville Baptist*, with Rev. D. B. Nelson as editor. Our people are manifesting great interest in it and its circulation is increasing daily.

And now let us turn to the sad part of our history and make mention of our workers, whom the Lord has taken from their labors here, to the joys and rewards of Heaven. Rev. W. W. Wells, who, while not a member of our Association during the past year, was yet one of the authors of our constitution and for many years active with us, was suddenly called to his heavenly home during the session the Western Convention. Also Rev. Joseph E. Carter, who, while never one of us, yet had intimate relations with us as editor of the *Western North Carolina Baptist*, was called away in February last. "Blessed are the dead, which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the spirit, that they may rest from their labors; for their works follow with them."

The general progress of our denomination during the year has been very great, in fact, it seems to have been the most successful since the existence of our association.

We have great cause of rejoicing and wonderful encouragement to press our work. O that our churches would be fully awakened to the great work before them and determine to take our county for Christ! "O that men would praise the Lord for his goodness and for his wonderful works unto the children of men!" Ps. cvii: 8.

J. H. STARNES, Historian.

Motion to adopt. Remarks by A. M. Carroll, A. E. Brown and J. W. Nash. Report adopted.

On motion of A. M. Carroll, the next historian was required to write the history of the Association from its organization. The Moderator, Elder A. I. Justice was elected historian.

The following resolutions were presented and adopted:

Resolved, That the clause in article seven of the Constitution referring to Sunday school reports, which says, state whether Baptist or Union, be stricken out.

F. M. WILLIAMS.

Resolved, That we, the delegates and visitors are profoundly grateful to the brethren of Morgan Hill and

vicinity for the excellent manner in which they have entertained us during the sitting of this body.

A. E. Brown.

Resolved, That this Association advise all the churches to make a special effort to raise a Foreign Mission fund, and send to the Western Baptist Convention at Asheville, N. C., in October, with an eye to our Convention supporting a missionary in China.

J. W. Nash.

Report of Committee on Finance was presented, and on motion adopted, (see Financial Table).

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to draw on the Executive Board for Minute funds in case the amount sent by the churches is not enough to print a sufficient number of minutes.

Sermon by Elder T. J. Murphy, from I Peter 3: 21. The Moderator made a few appropriate remarks, after which the congregation engaged in singing "God be with you till we meet again," and the Association adjourned with benediction by Elder L. W. Sams, to meet with Gashes Creek Church, Tuesday before the first Sunday in September, 1890.

Elder Amos I. Justice, Moderator.

F. Marion Williams, Clerk.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Supts.	Officers and Teachers.	Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Professions in S. S.	Baptisms.	Col. for Support of School.	Class Collections.	Collected for other Objects.	Literature Used.	Total Money Raised.
Asheville 1st Church	Dr D T Millard	28	393	187				$551 32	$86.00	Baptist	$637.32
Academy Hill*	George H Burnham	7	61	43	5			71 49		"	71 49
North Asheville*	F W Vesey	7	84	41	1			62 67		"	62.67
West End*	J R Patterson	10	353	140	20	12		177 63		"	177 63
Antioch	E B Goldsmith	7	90	50			$14 50			"	14 50
Berea	J A Reed	8	56	48			4 00		4 00	"	8 00
Black Mountain	A J Greenwood	5	50	30						"	
Beaverdam	J H Stradley	4	48	30			3.00		6.90	"	9 90
Cane Creek	A E Brown	6	76	48			18 65			"	18 65
Coopers	S W Mitchell	4	38	30	4		3 00		1.22	"	4 22
French Broad, Asheville	Dr T J Hargan	16	150	75						"	
Fern Hill	J M Brookshire	5	60	50			17 00			"	17 00
Gash's Creek	M L Reed	6	75	75	10		8 00			"	8 00
Hominy	E L Clark	6	85	50			13 00		3 00	"	16 00
Morgan Hill	T C Morgan	6	106	50			13 00			"	13 00
Macedonia	J J Hayse	9	86	51			8 00			"	8 00
Mount Carmel	Meritt Sluder	9	100	51			11 00			"	11 00
N. F. Swannanoa	Henry Prichard	5	35	30	2		2 50			"	2 50
Pleasant Hill	W M Allen	8	54				6 00			"	6 90
Trinity	W M Cook	4	25	15			3 45			"	3 45
White Rock	L Y Israel	7	56	38			7 70			"	7 70
	TOTAL	157	2081	1132	42		101 12		101 12		$1,097 13

* Mission Sunday Schools of the 1st Church, Asheville.

Churches.	Clerks.	Postoffices.	Church Constituted.	Sabbaths of Meeting.	Value of Church Property.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Dead.	Present Membership.		
												Males.	Females.	Total.
Asheville 1st Church	A D Cooper	Asheville	1829	†	$10 000	18	72	3	34	16	6	216	290	506
Antioch	J H Woodward	Morgan Hill	1883	3	800		10		2	2	2	45	80	125
Avery's Creek*														
Big Ivy	S J Carter	Democrat	1823	2	700	18	9	4	5	1	3	69	144	213
Bethel*			1855	4	518									
Berea	B G Shope	Riceville	1883	2-4					9	1		28	60	88
Black Mountain	A J Greenwood	Barnardsville							15		3	20	38	58
Beaverdam	E P Stradley	Asheville	1885	3	1 400				2	2	1	16	11	27
Bent Creek	M R Cagle	Vernon	1845	2			3		20	4		21	33	54
Cane Creek	P M Freeman	Fairview	1806	1-3	800	26	6	2	4	12	1	95	136	231
Concord*			1853	1										
Coopers	J H Denney	Coopers	1883	3	600	6			4			11	9	20
Flat Creek	W S Roberts	Stockville	1811	1	1 250		13	2	7	3	4	53	74	127
Fr'ch Br'd, Asheville	H T Cobb	Asheville	1887	†	6 500	3	25		7	3	2	44	67	111
Fern Hill	C R Whitaker	Best	1889	1-2		1	9							25
Gashe's Creek	R C Sales	Best	1856	2-4			5		13	5	3	41	57	98
Hominy	B L Morgan	Candler	1812	1-2	1 800	3			9		1	52	75	127
Morgan Hill	R P Lewellyn	Morgan Hill	1866	4	800		1	2	16	4	2	43	84	127
Macedonia	A W Rymer	Owenby	1869	2-4	400	11	4		3		1	20	26	46
Mount Carmel	T P Brookshire	Owenby	1885	1	800	2	3		2		1	47	58	105
New Salem	W R Murray	Busbee	1818	3					2	4		27	37	64
New Morgan Hill	S M Morgan	Candler	1889	3		5	9					10	17	27
N. F. Swannanoa	W H Burnett	Black Mountain	1828	1-3		18	3			5		41	5	92
Pleasant Hill	R A Elington	Alexander	1879	1			7		5		1			49
Reems Creek	G W Merrell	Weaverville	1852	3		3		1	5	2		9	26	35
Oak Grove	J J Fox	Jupiter							3	10				46
Trinity	W M Cook	Candler	1874	4			2		2	1		14	25	39
Vernon Hill*	E G Rodes	Vernon	1883	3										
White Rock	J C Bird	Glady	1881	4	1 000		1			3		41	44	85
					27 368	114	183	14	169	78	31			2525

* Not represented.
† Every Sabbath, twice.

Churches.	Pastors.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Church Expenses.	County Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Conventional Missions.	Church Building and Repairs.	Baptist Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Support of Poor.	Minute Fund.	All Other Objects.	Total Money Raised.
Asheville 1st Church	W A Nelson	$1600 00	$408 45	$221 66		$275 00	$58 49	$85 16	$73 85	$83 45	$419 65	$5 00	$408 00	$3638 71
Antioch	W T Bradley	60 00		3 00		3 00		30 00				1 50		97 50
Avery's Creek*														
Bethel*														
Big Ivy	W A Robertson	60 00	50		$5 00						5 00	1 60		72 10
Berea	H D Brown	100 00				10 00	5 00					1 00		116 00
Black Mountain	S J Morgan							150 00				80		150 80
Beaverdam	H D Brown	60 00	5 00	9 10		18 35			4 00	12 55		1 00		110 00
Bent Creek	E J Morgan	80 00										1 00		41 00
Cane Creek	J W Anderson	100 00	40 00	5 00						10 00	10 00	1 00		166 00
Coopers	A I Justice	40 00	72 00	2 81		5 60			1 80			1 00		123 21
Concord*														
Flat Creek	W T Bradley	57 00				6 77		1250 00			1 15	1 70		1316 52
F'ch Br'd, Asheville	J L Carroll				10 00	15 06			8 50	20 00		2 00		55 56
Fern Hill	D B Nelson	350 00	92 00			10 00						50		452 50
Gash's Creek	J W Anderson	80 00	12 60	5 00	5 00	10 00			10 00			1 25		123 85
Hominy	S C Owen	200 00	13 00	4 26		8 00		176 00	15 00	36 15		2 40		454 81
Morgan Hill	W T Bradley	100 00	12 45	1 56		2 95			2 41		4 37	1 85		125 59
Macedonia	G W Gosnell	50 00			2 75	5 40						50		58 65
Mount Carmel	E J Morgan	75 00	25 70	2 25	3 00	5 00			2 16	5 91		1 65	11 90	132 57
New Salem								122 00				45		122 45
New Morgan Hill	S C Owen	30 00	2 01			2 00						1 00		35 01
N. F. Swannanoa	G A Bartlett	100 00		2 70		2 70						95		106 35
Pleasant Hill	W A Robertson	60 00										40		60 40
Reems Creek	A I Justice	25 00										35		25 35
Oak Grove	J W Hooker	50 00										75		50 75
Trinity	T C Holtzclaw	24 00										45		24 45
Vernon Hill*														
White Rock	S C Owen	75 00				2 20	2 15					1 00		80 35
	TOTAL	3336 00	683 61	257 34	25 75	382 03	65 64	1813 16	117 72	168 06	440 17	31 10	419 90	7740 48

* Not represented.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I.—Name.

Section 1. This body shall be known as the "Buncombe County Baptist Association."

Article II.—Constituency.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for. Provided, however, That any church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Sec. 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor, and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

Sec. 3. The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body, without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

Article III.—Officers.

Section 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

Article IV.—Object.

Section 1. It shall be the object of this Association to

prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the Western Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

Article V.—Committees.

Section 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday-schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place, and Annual Sermon of the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of said committees to report, in writing, on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

Article IV.—Executive Board.

Sec. 1. This body shall at each Annual Meeting appoint an Executive Board of seven judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of the Western Baptist Convention in supplying the destitution within our bounds.

Article VII.—Church Letters.

Sec. 1. The church letter shall give the following information, to wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; name of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their post office; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members, time of prayer meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, home missions, foreign missions, education, Sunday school and Bible missions, and if for any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday school to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and post office of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

Article VIII.—By-Laws.

Sec. 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

Article IX.—Meeting.

Sec. 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article X.—Printing.

Sec. 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI.—Correspondence.

Sec. 1. This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII.—Faith.

Sec. 1. This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Sec. 2. As an abstract of Faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

Article xiii.—Amendment.

Sec. 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

MODERATOR:

AMOS I. JUSTICE, Owenby, N. C.

CLERK:

F. MARION WILLIAMS, Morgan Hill, N. C.

TREASURER:

E. H. WRIGHT, Asheville, N. C.

HISTORIAN:

JOHN W. STARNES, Asheville, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS:

Thomas Stradley,	Asheville,	N. C.
W. A. Nelson,	"	"
J. W. Anderson,	"	"
W. P. Southern,	"	"
D. B. Nelson,	"	"
J. L. Carroll,	"	"
W. T. Bradley,	Morgan Hill,	"
S. J. Morgan,	"	"
Jas. J. Greenwood,	Democrat,	"
A. I. Justice,	Owenby,	"
G. W. Gosnell,	"	"
J. A. D. Coburn,	Candler,	"
A. S. Whitaker,	Biltmore,	"
James Plemmons,	"	"
S. W. Mitchell,	Coopers,	"
A. E. Brown,	"	"
T. J. Brock,	Avery's Creek,	"
W. L. Kuykendall,	Alexander,	"
E. Morgan,	Candler,	"
S. C. Owen,	"	"
L. Y. Israel,	Dunsmore,	"
J. M. Hilliard,	Fairview,	"
G. A. Bartlett,	Black Mountain,	"

EXECUTIVE BOARD:

Elders J. M. Hilliard, J. W. Nash and T. C. Morgan.

The next session of the Buncombe county Association will be held with the Beaver Dam church, four miles northeast of Asheville, beginning on Tuesday before the third Sunday in August, 1891.

Introductory sermon by Rev. D. B. Nelson.

PROCEEDINGS.

GASHE'S CREEK CHURCH, Sept. 2, 1890.

The Buncombe County Baptist Association of North Carolina assembled, in its ninth annual session, in the meeting house of the Gashe's Creek Baptist church.

In consequence of the death of Elder H. D. Brown, who was appointed to preach the introductory sermon, and the absence of Elder A. N. LaPierre, his alternate, on motion Dr. J. L. Carroll preached the opening sermon. Prayer before sermon by Elder S. C. Owen. Song—"Grace; 'tis a charming sound," etc. Text: "But by the grace of God I am what I am." I Cor. 15:10.

Prayer by Elder D. B. Nelson. Song—"All hail the power of Jesus name."

Adjourned one hour later. Benediction by Elder John Ammons.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association reassembled.

Song—"Come thou Fount of every Blessing."

Called to order by moderator Justice.

Prayer by Elder W. T. Bradley.

The moderator appointed brethren John W. Starnes and A. M. Carroll reading clerks and letters were read from the following churches, and the delegates names enrolled:

Asheville First Church—Dr. W. A. Nelson, pastor; Elders W. P. Southern and J. W. Anderson, brethren J. P. Morgan, E. H. Wright, J. E. Pinkerton, J. A. Porter, J. M. Davis, A. C. Melk, C. C. Mathews, J. D. Brevard, J. W. Starnes, W. D. Justice and M. A. Creasman.

French Broad Asheville—Dr. J. L. Carroll, pastor, brethren J. R. Starnes, A. M. Carroll, R. H. Lee, Wm. Ward, M. A. Jenkins, W. C. Johnston and T. J. Brock.

Antioch—Elder S. J. Morgan, brethren J. H. Woodward and P. M. Loving.

Avery's Creek—Not represented.

Bethel—Anderson A. Ingle.

Big Ivy—Letter, but no delegates.

Beren—Elder A. E. Brown, pastor, brethren G. N. Alexander and Robert Fortune.

Black Mountain—A. J. Greenwood.

Beaver Dam—E. B. Stradley.

Bent Creek—Thomas Stradley.

Coopers—Elder S. W. Mitchell and J. W. Denney.

Cane Creek—Elder J. M. Hilliard, pastor, brethren J. H. Freeman, Johnston Ashworth, Sidney Ashworth, Marion Laning, Miles Trantham and Bradley Spivy.

Concord—Not represented.

Flat Creek—J. T. Myers, N M. Kiilpatrick, Lewis Allman, A. Lochart and W. S. Roberts.

Fern Hill—Elder D. B. Nelson, pastor, Elders James Plemmons, A. S. Whitaker and Chas. R. Whitaker.

Gashes Creek—J. A. Brookshier, T. J. Ingle, W. H. Sales, M. L. Reed and R. P. Jones.

Hominy—Elder S. C. Owen, pastor and T. W. Shelton.

Morgan Hill—Elder W. T. Bradley, pastor, brethren J. C. Sams, T. C. Morgan, J. N. Morgan, H. B. Mills, L. J. Williams and F. M. Williams.

Macedonia—Hiram Buckner.

Mount Carmel—Elder A. I. Justice, brethren T. P. Brookshier and J. W. Nash.

New Salem—Not represented.

New Morgan Hill—Elder T. J. Brock, pastor, and S. L. Morgan.

N. F. Swannanoa—Elder G. A. Bartlett, pastor, brethren L. Patton and Henry Pritchard.

Oak Grove—Not represented.

Pleasant Hill—N. Howard and K. R. Lochart.

Reems Creek—Not represented.

Trinity—T. A. Starnes and W. M. Cook.

Vernon Hill—G. W. Ballard and E. C. Brown.

White Rock—D. N. Curtis and R. P. Warren.

Proceeded to the election of officers, with the following result: Elder A. I. Justice, Moderator. F. M. Williams, Clerk. E. H. Wright, Treasurer. John W. Starnes, Historian.

On motion, last year's order of business was adopted.

Report on order of business.

Met at 9 a. m. Spent half hour in devotional exercises. 2. Read minute of yesterday. 3. Call for corres-

pondents and delegates who may have arrived since yesterday. 4. Reports of committees. 5. Sermon at 11 a. m. 6. Intermission. 7. Meet at 1 p. m. 8. Adjourn at will.

The following brethren were invited to seats in the body: Elder John Ammons, Corresponding Secretary Western Baptist Convention, and E. L. Hunnycutt, correspondent from French Broad Association.

The following committees were appointed:

Home and Conventional Missions—Elders John Ammons, S. J. Morgan and J. M. Hilliard.

Foreign Missions—Elders J. L. Carroll, W. T. Bradley and James Plemmons.

Education—J. W. Starnes, A. M. Carroll and Elder A. E. Brown.

Periodicals—Elders J. M. Hilliard, J. P. Morgan and J. R. Starnes.

Temperance—W. D. Justice, J. W. Nash and J. H. Freeman.

Sunday School—Elders S. C. Owen, J. W. Anderson and L. B. McBrayer, M. D.

Baptist Orphanage—J. D. Brevard, A. S. Whitaker and J. M. Brookshire.

State of the Church—J. E. Pinkerton, J. M. Hilliard, G. A. Bartlett, J. N. Morgan, S. W. Mitchell and C. C. Mathews.

Time Place and Annual Sermons—T. W. Shelton, T. C. Morgan, R. H. Lee, E. B. Stradley, T. J. Brock and W. S. Roberts.

Finance—M. L. Reed and H. B. Miles.

On motion the sixth article of the Convention, on Executive Board, was stricken out.

The following resolution by Dr J. L. Carroll was adopted.

Resolved, That this association with a view of securing uniformity of practice in granting letters of dismission recommend the churches comprising it to limit their validity to a period of three months, and to use the term good standing instead of fullfellowship.

On motion, the report of the committee on Home and Conventional Missions was made special order for 10 a. m., to-morrow. Appointed the deacons and delegates of Gashes Creek church, a committee on religious exercises.

On motion, adjourned to 9 a. m., to-morrow. Benediction, by Elder A. E. Brown.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 3RD.

The Association assembled pursuant to adjournment. Spent half hour in devotional exercises, conducted by Eld. J. M. Hilliard.

Called to order by the moderator.

On motion, reading of the minute of yesterday, and calling the roll was deferred till the afternoon session.

Elder G. H. Church, of the Tennessee River Association, and representing the Foreign Mission Board, of the Southern Baptist Convention, was invited to a seat in the body.

On motion, the following correspondents, to sister associations, were appointed:

Carolina Association—Elders D. B. Nelson, A. E. Brown, T. J. Brock, S. C. Owen, J. E. Pinkerton, J. H. Freeman and W. C. Johnston.

Haywood County Association—Elder S. C. Owen.

French Broad Association—Elders W. T. Bradley, S. J. Morgan, A. I. Justice, J. W. Anderson, W. S. Roberts and J. C. Sams.

Newfound—John W. Starnes.

Yancey County—Elder J. W. Anderson.

Transylvania County—Elder S. C. Owen.

Tuckasiege—Elder G. A. Bartlett. Dr. R. H. Lewis, of the Carolina Association and president of Judson College, was invited to a seat.

On motion Dr. W. A. Nelson was appointed delegate to the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention which meets in Birmingham, Ala., May 8, 1891, with Elders J. M. Hilliard and W. T. Bradley alternate.

Dr. J. L. M. Curry of Richmond, Va., in a few very appropriate remarks, accepted a seat in the body, representing the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The hour having arrived for the consideration of the report on Home and Conventional Missions, the report was read by Elder John Ammons; motion to adopt. Remarks by John Ammons, W. T. Bradley, D. B. Nelson, and J. L. M. Curry. At the close of these very impressive speeches a collection was taken for Conventional Missions amounting to $10.50.

Report adopted.

Report on Home and Conventional Missions:—Home missions embraces the work of the Southern Baptist Convention through its Board located at Atlanta, Ga.

This covers a large field—the destitution in the Southern States, the Indian Territory and the Cuban mission. A partial retrospect will show how much we are under God indebted to this Board for the present power and efficiency of the denomination in the South. Many of the strong churches both in city and county, were planted and established by the missionaries of the Home Board.

Last year there were more than 4,000 baptisms in the missions sustained by the Home Board. This does not embrace the results of the work in the Indian Territory and Cuba. The Cuban mission is the wonder of the age. "God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform." This work in Cuba not only calls forth our admiration but demands our hearty support, and it may be said with equal propriety that the entire work of the Board commends itself to our hearty support. We ought to give it our prayers and our money.

Our conventional work embraces the destitution in thirteen counties in Western Carolina; mission grounds within our bounds are quite extensive. The entire county of Graham is properly mission grounds, and Cherokee is almost as destitute.

There is also much mission ground in Jackson, Henderson and Transylvania counties; Mitchell and Yancey counties contain much missionary territory. Here then brethren, is our call to duty and our opportunity. Let us go forth to sow the good seed over all this land. The Board is supplying these destitutions as far as it is able with the means at command, but has never been able to supply all the calls for help, and yet if all would come up to the hearty support of the work, every place of importance, could be occupied. Shall we do our duty? Will we heed the calls for help? Your committee feel that they can only give a general statement of facts.

JOHN AMMONS,
J. M. HILLIARD,
S. J. MORGAN.

On motion, the consideration of the report on education was made the special order for afternoon. On motion the regular order for sermon at 11 a. m., was suspended, to hear an address, by Dr. Curry, on Foreign Missions. The report on Foreign Missions, was read by Dr. Carroll. Motion to adopt. Address by Dr. Curry. At the close of the address, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee to report on Foreign Missions submit the following:

The Foreign Mission Board, of the Southern Baptist Convention have 33 Missionaries in China, 13 original churches, with 806 members. In Africa, they have 10 Missionaries and 4 churches, with 50 members. In Japan they have commenced a new work, with 4 Missionaries. In Italy, they have 3 Missionaries, and 13 churches, with 225 members. In Brazil, they have 9 Missionaries, and 8 churches, with 312 members. In Mexico, they have 19 Missionaries, 24 churches, and 782 members. These 62 churches, with 2213 members gave last year $4,680.87, an average of more than $2 per member. What an example of liberality they set our churches at home! Would that we could catch more of their spirit, this is the need of the labor in Foreign Mission work. Once the prayer was for men. But now things have changed. There are more Godly men and women offering to go than there are means to send and sustain them. And there is ever a crying need for them in the foreign field. The heathen are dying for lack of the gospel. They live under the law proclaimed long ago by the prophet Joel. "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord, shall be saved." But Paul argues the necessity for missions to them. "How then shall they call on Him, in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him, of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent?" They can't go of themselves. In this strongly logical way does the apostle bring home to our churches the responsibility, for the loss of the heathen, and leaves it at their door. They cannot possibly escape it. Hence, we appeal to the churches of our association for increased contributions to this work. And they should be made as large in the conventional year as possible. Last year the Board paid $1,500 of interest, on borrowed money, to pay our Mssionaries enough to sustain two more men in the field, and all because the churches were so slow in sending in their contributions. The Lord help us to understand our duty more clearly, and give us grace to do it promptly and cheerfully.

J. L. Carroll,
W. T. Bradley,
James Plemmons.

On motion, adjourned for one hour. Benediction by W. P. Southern.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association re-assembled.

Called to order by Moderator Justice.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Called the roll and marked absentees.

Granted leave of absence rest of the session to N. Howard and K. R. Lochart, of Pleasant Hill church.

The report on education was read by John W. Starnes.

Remarks by J. W. Starnes, Dr. R. H. Lewis, Dr. J. L. Carroll, Dr. J. L. M. Curry, Elder John Ammons and Bro. A. M. Carroll.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

There are 12,000 children of public school age in this county. Your committee is proud to report that the progress of education within the bounds of this association is very good. A number of high schools have been established in the county and villages have grown up around them, demonstrating the fact that there is power in knowledge.

Wherever the cause of education triumphs the cause of Christ triumphs and the country flourishes. During last year more than 80 per cent. of white children of school age were enrolled in schools of this county. About 60 per cent. of colored children were enrolled. We cannot do anything that will be more conducive to the cause of religion and the general interest of our people than to teach the young—white and colored—how to read, write, calculate, talk and think. This is the true method of making citizens for America and for heaven. We hereby reaffirm our allegiance to Judson College, and heartily endorse its present faculty, and we are pleased to say that we have promising schools at Mars Hill, Madison county, and Fairview, this county.

JOHN W. STARNES,
A. E. BROWN,
A. M. CARROLL.

On motion, the consideration of the report on the Baptist Orphanage was made the special order for 10 a. m. to-morrow.

The report on Periodicals was read by the chairman. Elder J. M. Hilliard.

Motion to adopt. On motion the consideration of this report was deferred till to-morrow afternoon.

Committee on Time, Place and Sermon submitted their report. Report adopted, as follows:

Time, Tuesday before the third Sunday in August, 1891. Place, Beaverdam church. Introductory sermon by Elder D. B. Nelson. Alternate, Elder W. T. Bradley.

Adjourned till 9 a. m. to-morrow. Benediction by Elder G. H. Church.

THURSDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 4TH.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Devotional exercises conducted by Elder W. T. Bradley.

Called to order by the moderator.

Minutes of yesterday read and adopted.

Bro. J. H. Mills, superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C., invited to a seat in the body.

On motion, agreed to suspend the regular order for a sermon, at 11 a. m., to consider the report on temperance.

The report on Sunday schools read by Elder S. C. Owen. Motion to adopt. Remarks by S. C. Owen, A. E. Brown, S. J. Morgan, J. P. Morgan and J. C. Sams.

Report adopted.

Report on Sunday schools.

We are led to believe from the reports from the churches, that some progress has been made in the Sunday school work. But there is room for much improvement yet. One among the great hindrances to this work in our churches, is a want of co-operation on the part of many of our church members. It is the work of the church, and if done at all it must be done by the church. The only remedy that we can now see for such indifference on the part of the church-members is for those engaged in the work, to get all the children in Sunday school, and train them in this work, enthuse them with its holy inspiration, and when they are grown, they will not depart from it.

We have a union meeting, which meets on Saturday before the 5th Sabbath, to which we earnestly insist upon all the churches to send members to represent their churches, with a statistical report of the work done in the Sunday school, for the time intervening between each meeting, including the number of church-members

co-operating in this work. We recommend all the churches to use the International lessons, published at Atlanta, Ga., and Philadelphia, Pa.

S. C. Owen, Chairman.

On motion, of the Clerk, all speeches during the remainder of the session, except those by brethren representing denominational interests, were limited as follows: Chairman of committees 10 minutes, all others 5 minutes.

Report on the Baptist Orphanage read, by the Chairman, J. D. Brevard.

Motion to adopt. Bro. J. H. Mills, in his plain and touching manner spoke of the work of the orphanage. At the close of the address several subscriptions were taken for "Charity and Children," and a collection amounting to $6.76. Report adopted.

Report on Baptist Orphanage.

Resolved. 1. That we recognize the Baptist Orphanage, at Thomasville, N. C., as belonging to the Baptists of the whole State. *Resolved.* 2. That we believe the work of this orphanage commends itself to the sympathies and support of all the churches in our association, that we should take collections in all our churches to help carry on the good work of caring for the Orphans.

J. D. Brevard,
A. S. Whitaker,
J. M. Brookshier.

The report of the Committee on Finance was submitted, and on motion, adopted. (See financial table.)

The hour having arrived, according to the special order, the report on Temperance was read by Bro. W. D. Justice.

Motion to adopt. Remarks by W. D. Justice, Wm. Ward, J. W. Nash, James Plemmons, S. C. Owen, J. H. Freeman and G. A. Bartlett. A resolution was offered by Elder S. C. Owen, and adopted, as an appendage to the report on temperance. (See appendage to report.)

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following report on Temperance: Since we find a war pronounced against the drunkards of Ephraim, in Isaiah 28th chapter and 1st verse, with 38 corresponding texts in the Old Scriptures, and many such in the New Testament, we feel it to be a duty to urge upon the churches of this associa-

tion not only temperance, but total abstinence and prohibition from making, buying, selling or using, as a beverage any spirituous or malt liquors, or aiding or abetting the same directly or indirectly, because we find prohibition written in Numbers 6th chapter and 3d verse, with many other passages too numerous to mention. We also urge our churches to a thorough organization upon this line.

(Appendage.) *Resolved*, That it is the decision of the association that we should not vote for any one who is opposed to prohibition.

W. D. Justice,
J. H. Freeman,
J. W. Nash.

Treasurer's report read by J. W. Starnes. Remarks by J. P. Morgan. Report adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR BUNCOMBE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

1889.				
Oct.	3.	To balance turned over by former treas.		$21 35
"	3.	" cash of 1st Baptist Church, Ashev'e.		20 00
Sep.	30.	" "	Beaverdam	11 60
"	3.	" "	Oak Grove	3 50
"	3.	" "	Antioch	2 89
"	3.	" "	Buncombe Co. S. S. Conven'n	3 00
"	3.	" "	Gashe's Creek	5 00
"	3.	" "	from Association clerk's fee..	10 00
"	19.	" "	Oak Grove	25
Nov.	25.	" "	Morgan Hill	2 78
Dec.	12.	" "	Big Ivy	5 00
1890.				
Mch.	24.	To cash	Morgan Hill	80
"	"	" "	" "	21
"	31.	" "	Macedonia	1 25
May	19.	" "	Cane Creek	2 50
"	26.	" "	Morgan Hill	1 06
June	2.	" "	Mt. Carmel	2 40
"	28.	" "	New Morgan Hill	1 85
Aug.	21.	" "	Coopers	1 50
"	27.	" "	Trinity	5 25
Sep.		" "	First Ch., Asheville, for W.P.S.	600 00
Aug.	2.	" "	Cane Creek	3 98
				$706 17

1890. CREDIT.

Apr. 28.	By cash, Rev. A. I. Justice.....	$12	50
Aug. 21.	" " " "	16	66
1889.			
Sep.	" " Minute fee to F. M. Williams.	10	00
Oct. 12.	" " Printing minutes.....	13	35
" 3.	" " W. P. Southern, city miss'nary	20	00
1890.			
Sep. 1.	By cash salary paid W. P. Southern, city missionary	600	00
	By balance cash on hand.....	33	66
		$706	17

Respectfully,
E. H. WRIGHT, *Treasurer.*

On motion, the action of the Association, on the first day of this session in abolishing its executive board, was re-considered, and on motion, of F. M. Williams, this article of the constitution (6th) was so amended as that the Board shall be composed of three instead of seven.

On motion, the following committee was appointed to nominate an executive board: Elders D. B. Nelson, S. C. Owen and W. T. Bradley.

On motion, the Pastors of the churches of this Association are requested on returning to their churches, to take a collection to assist in completing the Baptist church-house, at Bryson City, and forward the same to Elder G. H. Church, pastor. A collection was also taken for this purpose amounting to $10.96.

On motion, adjourned for 30 minutes.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association re-assembled.

Engaged in Singing—"All hail the power of Jesus name" &c.

Moderator Justice in the chair.

The report on Periodicals, was re-read, by Elder J. M. Hilliard. Remarks by J. M. Hilliard, J. A. Porter, A. E. Brown, S. C. Owen, J. P. Morgan, R. H. Lee, G. H. Church and J. H. Mills.

Report adopted

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

Your committee, would first recommend our own paper, the "Asheville *Baptist*," published at Asheville, N. C., price $1.50 per year, to every Baptist in Western North Carolina, and not only to the Baptists of Western North Carolina, but to Baptist everywhere, as a religious journal worthy of their patronage. And now brother pastors, the success of our paper depends largely upon our efforts to get our people to take the paper, for our editor, Bro. D. B. Nelson, has his work in making us a good paper, which we are all ready to admit, is the best paper we have ever had in Western North Carolina. So brethren let us come up like men, and help the Publishing Company, who have been carrying a heavy burden, for the past eighteen months, and have only asked us to read and circulate the *Baptist*. Now let us try to double the subscription list within the next twelve months. We would also recommend the *Biblical Recorder*, published at Raleigh, N. C., price $2 per year, as a paper of general information, and worthy of patronage. *Home Field*, published at Atlanta, Ga., price 25 cents per year, is a paper full of news from our Missionaries in the Home Land, and should be read by all. The *Foreign Mission Journal*, now published in pamphlet form, at Richmond, Va. Price 50 cents per year, is an old house-hold-word, and should find a place in every Baptist family. *Charity and Children*, published at the Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C., price $1 per year, is a paper that we cannot afford to do without, for it will keep before us, pure and undefiled religion, which we all need.

These papers are all "educators" and will be the means of making us better workers for Christ.

J. M. Hilliard,
J. R. Starnes,
J. P. Morgan.

The report on the state of the churches was read by J. E. Pinkerton, and on motion, adopted, as follows:

Your committee beg leave to submit the following report: We rejoice to find that some of our churches have made decided progress over last year's work. The letters show some improvement in contributions and in numbers, while others have retrograded, we are sorry to say, in the good work. We believe that the lethargy that pervades many of the churches in this association and

elsewhere is due to the fact that the deacons and pastors of churches do not instruct our people and bring before them the work in its proper light, and another is in laxity of many churches in exercising New Testament discipline among its members. We, your committee, would urge our pastors to be more faithful in preaching duty to their people.

J. E. PINKERTON, Chairman.

The report of the committee to nominate an executive board was read by Eld. S. C. Owen, and on motion, was adopted, as follows:

Your committee recommend the names of Eld. J. M. Hilliard, Bros. J. W. Nash and T. C. Morgan, and also instruct this board to meet in connection with our Union meeting at each of its meetings.

S. C. OWEN, Chairman.

The Historian read his report, which was, on motion, adopted:

HISTORICAL ITEMS OF THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ORGANIZATION.

Early in the year 1882. a convention of the churches in Buncombe county was held at Bethel church for the purpose of considering the propriety of organizing a Buncombe county organization. It was found that the prevailing sentiment among the brethren was favorable to the enterprise, and in September of the same year the Salem association, which was composed largely of churches in Buncombe county, dissolved. In October following, delegates from eight churches met at Flat creek church and organized the Buncombe County Association. The churches represented in the organization were Asheville, Berea, Cane Creek, Hominy, White Rock, Morgan Hill, Flat Creek and Big Ivy.

The ordained ministers were Thomas Stradley, L. W. Sams, W. F. Bradley, S. J. Morgan, John Mitchell, D. D., J. K. Connally, W. W. Wells, Enoch Morgan, E. J. Morgan, L. N. Israel, S. W. Mitchell and J. M. Hilliard. Eld. L. W. Sams was chosen Moderator, and Eld. W. W. Wells, Clerk. In 1883 the association met with the church at Berea. Six other churches were added to the association list this year, viz: Gashe's creek, N. F. Swannanoa, New Salem, Antioch, and Swannanoa (now Coopers). Eld. L. W. Sams was again chosen Moderator, and Eld.

W. W. Wels, Clerk; among the representatives and visiting brethren who attended the association this year was Dr. J. L. M. Curry, president of the foreign mission board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Since 1883 the association has been held successively at the following churches: Hominy, Cane Creek, Big Ivy, Mount Carmel, White Rock, Morgan Hill.

PROGRESS.

The progress which has been made in the last six years in church work is wonderful. In 1883 there were 15 churches enrolled. In 1889 there were 27 churches enrolled. In 1883 the total membership reported was 1,618. In 1889 the total membership reported was 2,525. In 1883 the report of money collected for all objects was $2,772.12. In 1889 the report of money collected for all objects was $8,834.61.

CHURCHES.

Cane Creek Church is the oldest in the association. It was constituted in 1806. The First Baptist church was constituted in 1829, for a long time its progress was slow, but for the last few years its growth and influence has been remarkable. Under the pastoral leadership of Dr. W. A. Nelson it has outgrown the capacity of its present house of worship, and steps are now being taken to build a new house which will fill the demands of the growing congregation. Beside the work which is immediately connected with the church, a large amount of city missionary work has been done.

In the beginning of the year 1888, Rev. W. P. Southern, of Brevard, N. C., entered upon his work in Asheville, as city missionary, under the employment of the First Church. Several mission stations have been built up, some of which will soon develop into self-sustaining churches. In 1887 the Second Baptist Church in Asheville was constituted. It was organized in a rented room, with about thirty members. Dr. J. L. Carroll was first chosen pastor. This church has been steadily moving forward. In little more than a year it had more than double its membership, and moved into its own new house on French Broad avenue, from which its present name (French Broad) was taken. Antioch church is the outgrowth of a Sunday school, which was conducted in a small school house on Big Ivy. The church was consti-

tuted in 1883. It is now worshipping in a new and beautiful house built on an eminence near the old school house in which it was first organized. Rev. W. T. Bradley is the pastor. Mount Carmel church was constituted in 1885 with 45 members. This has been a very prosperous church. It more than doubled its membership in three years. Fern Hill church was constituted in April, 1889. It is located at Biltmore. Rev. D. B. Nelson moved from Henderson county to Asheville in the same year in which it was organized and became its pastor. Beaverdam church was organized in 1885. It has a small membership, but it is thought, considering its numbers and wealth, that it is one of the most working churches we have. The new and comfortable house in which they worship manifests the spirit which animates the brethren. A number of the old churches have recently built new and excellent houses of worship. Hominy, Berea, Gash's creek, Flat creek, Macedonia and Bethel have all built at an average cost of not less than one thousand dollars each.

SUBORDINATE ORGANIZATIONS.

In 1882 the Buncombe County Baptist Sunday School Convention, was organized at Cane Creek church. The object of the convention was to help the Sunday school cause in our bounds. Sunday School Institutes were held quarterly for the same purpose. The Convention met annually until May, 1890, when it met at Hominy. It was there agreed to consolidate the Convention with the Institute. And it is henceforth to be known as the Buncombe County Union Meeting. At the Union Meeting which met at Fern Hill church, in June, 1890, a Ministers Council was organized, the object of which is the general improvement of the ministry. This council will meet in connection with the Union Meetings, and the first days proceedings of each meeting will be devoted to its work.

BIOGRAPHICAL.

It is not known to the writer who was the first to raise the standard of Baptist doctrine in the county of Buncombe. It is evident that among the first was Humphrey Posey and Stephen Morgan, who have long since gone to their reward. The name of Robert Patterson, deserves mention, as one of the pioneer ministers of this

county. He was an arduous and zealous worker in the Master's vineyard. Seldom ever meeting anyone without trying to impress on him the subject of religion. He was at one time or another pastor of most of the older churches of this county. Perhaps we owe to no other living man, such a debt of gratitude, for what he has done, as to the Rev. Thomas Stradley; he came to this county from England, when he was comparatively a young man, and soon commenced preaching the gospel. He built up the church at Asheville, and was for many years its pastor. He was also founder of the work at Berea. His labors extended throughout the county and into adjoining counties, and as most of our pioneer ministers have done, he preached with but little remuneration. He was among the first, if not the first, to advocate the cause of missions, temperance, and Sunday schools in this mountain country. *Since this body met last, Rev. H. D. Brown, who had been called to the pastoral care of Berea and Beaver Dam churches, was ordained to the work of the ministry. Brother Brown was an educated, and a consecrated young man, having all the qualifications of a Christian minister, except physical ability to do the work. Only about a month after his ordination (in November 1889) and while engaged in a protracted meeting at Enon church, in Transylvania county, the summons came for him to come up higher. He was found at his post. His death was a bereavement to his churches. Brother A. E. Brown, commenced preaching immediately after his brother's death, and was called at once to take charge of the work he had left. He was ordained at Berea church, March 23rd, 1890.

Rev. J. M. Hilliard, returned from Franklin, and took charge of Cane Creek, and Mount Carmel churches. Rev. S. C. Owen, located at Hominy, in October 1887. With such evidence of divine approval as we have had, and with such encouraging prospects before us, let us take courage and press forward.

A. I. Justice, Historian.

Appointed the following delegates to the Western Baptist Convention, James Plemmons, J. E. Pinkerton, F. M. Williams, G. A. Bartlett, W. D. Justice and the Moderator.

*See in Biographical sketches in Historians report.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, That this body return thanks to this church and community for their kind hospitality which we have received. J. M. HILLIARD.

Ordered, the clerk to have the minutes printed and distributed, and that he be allowed $10 for his services.

After a few very appropriate remarks by the Moderator, sang "Praise God from Whom all Blessings flow," and adjourned to time and place.

Benediction by Moderator.

Rev. AMOS I. JUSTICE, Moderator.

F. M. WILLIAMS, Clerk.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

NAME OF CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Officers and Teachers.	Pupils.	Average attendance.	Professions in S S	Baptisms.	Collection for Support of School.	Class Collections.	Collections for other objects.	Baptist Orphanage.	Paid City Missionary.	Ministerial Education.	Literature used.	Total money raised.
Asheville First Church	D. T. Millard	...	435	253	....	....	$215.33	$647.17	$100.57	27.57	$240.00	$158.00	Baptist	$1388.64
*Academy Hill	George H. Burnham	....	....	78	22	....	.....	101.77	160.00	.....	.....	.....	"	280.77
*West End		20	415	210	48	....	.....	346.00	†2531.29	.....	.....	.....	"	2877 29
French Broad, Asheville	A. N. LaPierre	....	130	65	3	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"	.....
Antioch	E. B. Goldsmith	9	90	...	....	....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"	10 00
Berea	J A. Reed.	5	....	30	3	1	4 75	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	"	9 75
Black Mountain	F. M. Haynes	7	140	75	8	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"	.....
Beaver Dam	J. H Stradley	6	55	42	....	....	4 00	.....	28 60	3 83	.....	.....	"	36 43
Cane Creek	J. H. Freeman	8	96	74	..	....	15 00	.....	23 00	.....	.....	.....	"	38.00
Coopers	S. W. Mitchell	4	44	30	....	....	3 00	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	"	3 00
Flat Creek	W. H. Robinson	6	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"	.....
Fern Hill	Jas M. Brookshire	4	74	41	2	....	28 68	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	"	31 16
Gashe's Creek	M. L. Reed	5	100	65	6	....	12 00	.....	11 61	.....	.....	.....	"	23 61
Hominy	Judson E. Morgan	7	70	49	....	....	18 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"	18 70
Morgan Hill	T. C. Morgan	6	124	60	8	....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"	10 00
Macedonia		8	69	42	....	....	3.47	.....	8.42	11 36	.....	.....	"	23.25
Mount Carmel	J. W. Nash	7	118	60	....	....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"	10.00
North F. Swannanoa		....	25	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"	.....
Pleasant Hill		....	50	30	....	....	7.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"	7.00
Trinity	Samuel Miller	3	25	....	3	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"	.....
Vernon Hill	E. J. Rhodes	4	40	24	....	....	6.00	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"	6.00
White Rock	L. Y. Israel	7	40	31	4	....	3.91	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"	3.91
	Totals	116	2140	1259	107	6	$351 84	$1113 94	$2871 49	$42 76	$240 00	$158 00		$4777.51

*Mission Schools of the First Church, Asheville. †Collections for Church Buildings.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS	POSTOFFICE.	Church constituted	Sabbath of Meeting.	Value of Church Property.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	PRESENT MEMBERSHIP		
												Males.	Fem's	Total.
Asheville 1st Church	A. D. Cooper	Asheville	1829	*	$10,000.00	69	81	2	53	11	9	238	347	585
French Broad Asheville	W. C. Johnson	"	1887	*	6,500.00	5	48	....	8	....	4	67	84	151
Antioch	T. J. Garrison	Democrat	1883	3	800.00	11	4	....	13	1	....	45	80	125
†Averys Creek			....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Bethel	D. H. Wild	Owenby	1855	4	500.00	....	....	....	4	3	1	12	32	44
Big Ivy	S. J. Carter	Democrat	1823	2	700.00	8	1	....	14	9	3	61	95	156
Berea	B. G. Shope	Riceville	1853	....	1,800.00	8	10	1	2	2	....	38	43	81
Black Mountain	A. J. Greenwood	Barnardsville	1883	4	500.00	5	6	1	7	1	....	30	45	75
Beaver Dam	E. D. Stradley	Asheville	1885	3	.....	3	6	....	2	1	....	15	17	32
Bent Creek	M. R. Cagle	Demia	1845	2	.....	16	1	5	....	....	1	26	45	71
Cane Creek	P. M. Freeman	Fairview	1806	2-4	800.00	4	17	1	48	8	....	74	103	177
†Concord			....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Coopers	J. H. Deney	Coopers	1883	3	600.00	....	....	....	....	....	....	11	9	20
Flat Creek	Z. V. Robison	Flat Creek	1811	1	1,250.00	31	4	3	6	....	....	60	97	157
Fern Hill	C. R. Whitaker	Biltmore	1889	1-3	.....	4	14	....	1	....	2	19	21	40
Gashes Creek	R. C. Sales	"	1856	2-4	.....	16	1	....	3	5	1	42	54	96
Hominy	B. L. Morgan	Candler	1812	1 2 3	1,800.00	7	4	2	3	2	3	52	77	129
Morgan Hill	R. P Llewellyn	Morgan Hill	1866	4	800.00	20	15	1	5	2	1	56	100	156
Macedonia	T. M. Knight	Owenby	1869	2-4	300.00	5	5	....	3	....	....	23	30	53
Mount Carmel	T. P. Brookshier	"	1885	1	800.00	1	2	1	7	....	1	43	56	99
†New Salem			....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
New Morgan Hill	S. M. Morgan	Candler	1889	3	.....	9	2	..	1	....	....	18	20	38
North F. Swannanoa	W. H. Burnett	Black Mountain	1828	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	96
Pleasant Hill	W. M. Allen	Weaverville	1879	1	.....	2	8	....	6	....	1	....	....	63
Reem's Creek*			....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Oak Grove*			....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Trinity	W. M. Cook	Candler	1874	1	.....	5	....	....	1	4	1	12	18	30
Vernon Hill	E. J. Rhodes	Vernon	1883	3	.....	9	2	....	10	....	3	17	20	37
White Rock	J. C. Bird	Dunsmore	1881	4	1,000.00	13	2	2	5	3	2	46	46	92
		Totals			$28,150.00	251	233	19	202	52	33	1005	1433	2603

*Every Sabbath twice. †Not Represented.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Church Exp.	County Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Convention-al Missions	Church Bldg. and Repairs.	Baptist Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Support of Poor.	Minute Fund	All orner objects.	Total money Raised.
Asheville 1st Ch....	W. A. Nelson.....	$1,600	$587.40	$240.00	$.....	$135.88	$170.45	$107.07	$85.20	$283 00	$378 25	$5 00	$4609 33	$8,201.73
French Bro d, Ash	J. L. Carroll.....	537.85	.....	.....	22.18	47.25	.....	.....	8.50	53.52	.....	2.00	200.00	871.30
Antioch	W. T. Bradley.....	60.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.60	18.70	85.30
Avery's Creek*	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethel.....	J. W. Hooker.....	20.00	.....	.....	3.54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.50	.....	24.04
Big Ivy.....	W. A. Robertson..	60.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.65	.....	.....	....	2.80	1.60	.....	67.95
Berea.....	A. E Brown.....	150.00	.....	.....	5.00	18.50	16.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.60	70.00	260.50
Black Mountain ...	B. B. Riddle.....	25.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	200.00	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	236.00
Beaver Dam	A. E. Brown.....	120.00	8.50	22.41	.....	12.50	.....	.....	7.50	.....	.....	1.00	14.10	186.01
Bent Creek.....	T. J. Brock.....	50.00	.....	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	61.00
Cane Creek.....	J. M. Hilliard.....	150.00	20.00	.....	.....	2.00	8.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	184.00
Concord*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Coopers	A I. Justice.....	90.00	1.25	4.90	.....	3.71	4.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.75	.....	104.61
Flat Creek.....	W. T. Bradley	80.00	3.50	18.80	.....	7.34	4.23	.....	.....	.....	5.25	1.35	.....	120.47
Fern Hill.....	D. B Nelson.....	300.00	12.00	...	.....	25.18	30.24	72.50	10.45	.....	10.35	1.50	.....	462.22
Gashe's Creek	J. W. Anderson....	80.00	27.56	1.97	.....	20.18	3.50	213.60	10.00	.....	10.96	1.00	.....	367.77
Hominy.....	S. C Owen.....	400.00	34.12	.....	.....	10.00	10.29	.....	8.30	.....	.....	2.65	.....	465.36
Morgan Hill.....	W. T. Bradley	80.00	17.91	1.86	.....	11.40	5.00	10.00	9.00	....	.....	2.05	.....	137.22
Macedonia	G. W. Gosnell.....	40.00	.....	.....	8.00	9.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	58.00
Mount Carmel.....	J. M. Hilliard.	75.00	19.04	4.60	.....	6.00	7.00	18.00	5.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	136.64
New Morgan Hill..	T. J. Brock.....	36.00	.....	1.85	.....	.....	2.15	.....	2.04	.....	.....	1.10	.....	43.14
Nth F. Swannanoa	G. A. Bartlett.....	60.00	.....	1.65	.....	2.35	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.60	6.20	74.80
Pleasant Hill.....	W. L. Kuykendall.	50.00	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.10	.....	51.10
Reem's Creek*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oak Grove*.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Trinity.....	T. J. Brock.....	60.00	.....	5.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	1.00	.....	67.25
Vernon Hill.....	James Plemmons...	25.00	200.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.75	.....	35.75
White Rock.....	S. C. Owen....	75.00	5.80	.....	2 23	5 23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	92 26
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*Not Represented.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I —Name.

Section 1. This body shall be known as the "Buncombe County Baptist Association."

Article II.—Constituency.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for. Provided, however, That any church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Sec. 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor, and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

Sec. 3. The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body, without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

Article III.—Officers.

Section 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

Article IV.—Object.

Section 1. It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the Western Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Mission, Foreign Mission, Education, Sunday schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

Article V.—Committees.

Section 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place, and Annual Sermon of the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of said committees to report, in writing, on the subject given them in charge while the Association is in session.

Article VI.—Executive Board.

Sec. 1. This body shall at each Annual Meeting appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of the Western Baptist Convention in supplying the destitution within our bounds.

Article VII.—Church Letters.

Sec. 1. The church letter shall give the following information, to wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; name of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their post office; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members, time of prayer meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, home missions, foreign missions, education, Sunday school and Bible missions, and if for any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday school to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and post office of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

Article VIII.—By-Laws.

Sec. 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

Article IX.—Meeting.

Sec. 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article X.—Printing.

Sec. 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI.—Correspondence.

Sec. 1. This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XIII.—Faith.

Sec. 1. This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Sec. 2. As an abstract of Faiih, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

Article XIV.—Amendment.

Sec. 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

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J. M. Hilliard,	Fair View,	"

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

J. W. Nash, Jesse R. Starnes and J. M. Brookshire, with the officers of the Association, ex-officio.

The next session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association will be held with Flat Creek Church, twelve miles north of Asheville, N. C., beginning on Tuesday, at 11 a. m. before third Sunday in August, 1892.

Introductory sermon by Rev. J. Q. Adams. Alternate, Rev. W. P. Southern.

PROCEEDINGS.

BEAVER DAM CHURCH, TUESDAY, AUG. 11th. 1891.

The Buncombe County Baptist Association, of North Carolina, convened in its Tenth annual session, with Beaver Dam Baptist church.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder D. B. Nelson, at 11 a. m., from Matthew 16:3. Subject, "Signs of the Times." Prayer at close of sermon by Elder J. A. Speight, editor of the Asheville Baptist. Song—"Only an armor bearer."

Adjourned one hour for dinner, after benediction by Elder J. M. Hilliard.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association reassembled at one o'clock.

Prayer by Dr. W. A. Nelson.

Called to order by moderator Elder A. I. Justice.

The moderator appointed brethren John W. Starnes and O. F. Thompson reading clerks and letters were read from the following churches, and their delegates names enrolled as follows:

Asheville First Church—Dr. W. A. Nelson, pastor; Elders J. W. Anderson, W. P. Southern, J. A. Speight, brethren E. H. Wright, J. W. Starnes, J. P. Morgan, J. Mooney, John D. Brevard, G. H. Simmons, Molton Triplett, L. B. McBrayer, M. D., and J. M. Davis.

Hominy—Elder R. A. Sentell, pastor; H. H. Meece.

Macedonia—Hiram Buckner and J. G. Rymer.

Fern Hill—Elder D. B. Nelson, pastor; Elder James Plemmons.

Flat Creek—Elder W. T. Bradley, pastor; W. S. Roberts, J. G. Wild, M. W. Harrison and Jacob Allman.

Antioch—Elder S. J. Morgan, J. H. Woodward and John R. Brown.

Pleasant Hill—James Moore, A. E. Kuykendall and K. R. Lochart.

Mount Carmel—Elder A. I. Justice, J. W. Nash, F. Sluder and J. L. Welch.

French Broad Avenue, Asheville—Elder J. Q. Adams, pastor; R. F. Drummond, Jesse R. Starnes, A. M. Carroll, Geo. Starnes and Charles Jordan, M. D.

Berea—Elder A. E. Brown, pastor; J. A. Cordell.

Cane Creek—Elder J. M. Hilliard, pastor; Bradley Spivey and Miles Trantham.

Coopers—Elder S. W. Mitchell and J. H. Dewey.

Morgan Hill—Elders S. J. Morgan and W. T. Bradley, pastors; S. R. Williams, T. C. Morgan, J. N. Morgan, O. T. Bell, T. S. Dillingham and F. M. Williams.

Big Ivy—A. E. Ingle and Alfred Brown.

Bethel—James McKinish.

White Rock—P. A. Smathers.

Oak Grove—J. M. Pickens and Robt. McLane.

Gashes Creek—Thomas Ingle, Claibourne Sorrells and J. T. Poore.

Beaver Dam—W. B. Scarborough and Wm. Davis.

Went into the election of the officers of the Association which resulted in the re-election of the former officers as follows: Moderator, Elder A. I. Justice; Clerk, F. M. Williams; Treasurer, E. H. Wright; Historian, John W. Starnes.

Letters were read from the following newly constituted churches and on motion they were received and the delegates names enrolled as follows:

Spring Mountain—T. L. Guffey and Jas. Trantham.

Chestnut Grove—R. E. L. Campbell.

Locust Grove—E. J. Roberts and S. E. Arwood.

The following resolution by Dr. W. A. Nelson was adopted.

Resolved, That brethren D. B. Nelson, J. Q. Adams and J. A. Speight be appointed to revise the blank form of letter from the church to the association, and have the same printed in the minutes of the present session, and also in such form as will be convenient to send to the church in due time for their letters to the next association.

On motion, the letter from Black Mountain church was referred to the following committee: Elders D. B. Nelson, S. W. Mitchell and brother J. D. Brevard to decide with reference to its reception as a member of the body.

On motion, last year's order of business was adopted as follows:

Meet at 9 a. m. Spend half hour in devotional exercises. 2. Read minutes of yesterday. 3. Call for correspondents and delegates who may have arrived since yesterday. 4. Reports of committees. 5. Sermon at 11

a. m. 6. Intermission. 7. Meet at 1 p. m. 8. Adjourn at will.

The following correspondents were received: Elder John Ammons, from French Broad Association and Corresponding Secretary of W. B. Convention, Elder R. A. Sentell, from Haywood County Association.

The following visitors accepted seats in the body: Prof. J. E. White, of Mars Hill College, in the French Broad Association; Elder B. B. Riddle, of the Yancey County Association; Elder J. M. Hilliard and sister Octavia Thomas, of the Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

On Home and Conventional Missions—Elder Jno. Ammons, R. F. Drummond and J. W. Nash.

On Foreign Missions—Elders W. A. Nelson, W. T. Bradley and J. A. Speight.

On Education—Profs. O. F. Thompson, J. W. Starnes and J. E. White.

On Periodicals—Elders D. B. Nelson, J. Q. Adams and J. M. Hilliard.

On Temperance—Elders W. P. Southern, S. J. Morgan and brother A. M. Carroll.

On Sunday Schools—E. H. Wright, J. P. Morgan and L. B. McBrayer, M. D.

On Baptist Orphanage—Elders E. J. Morgan, J. G. Wild and Hiram Buckner.

On State of Churches—Elders J. W. Anderson, J. H. Woodward, J. Mooney aud W. S. Roberts.

On Time, Place and Preacher of Annual Sermon—J. N. Morgan, F. Sluder, J. H. Dewey and James Mease.

On Finance—J. H. Miller, T. C. Morgan and James Trantham.

On Nomination of Executive Board—Elders A. E. Brown, J. H. Stradley and J. D. Brevard.

On motion, the consideration of the report on Home and Conventional Missions, made the special order for ten a. m., to-morrow. The consideration of the report on periodicals to follow.

The pastors and deacons of Beaver Dam church were appointed a committee on preaching.

On motion, adjourned to 9 a. m. to-morrow. Benediction by Elder J. Q. Adams.

Preaching at night by Elder J. M. Hilliard.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 12th.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Spent half hour in devotional exercises conducted by Elder S. J. Morgan.

The Association called to order by moderator.

On motion, reading of minute of yesterday, was deferred until to-morrow.

On motion, the consideration of the report on Education, was made the special order following the consideration of the report on Periodicals.

The following committee on deceased ministers was appointed—Elders A. E. Brown, W. A. Nelson and Jas. Plemmons.

Dr. R. H. Lewis, President of Judson College, accepted a seat in the body.

On motion, the consderation of the report on Baptist Orphanage was made special order for 10 a. m., to-morrow.

On motion, Elder A. E. Brown, was appointed a delegate to the next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, which convenes, Friday, May 13th, 1892, in the city of Atlanta, Ga., with brother J. P. Morgan alternate.

Letter from New Morgan Hill church, read and delegates name enrolled.

New Morgan Hill—Lafayette Morgan.

The time for the special order having arrived the report on Home and Conventional Missions was presented by the chairman, Elder John Ammons.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME AND CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

It is becoming generally known that Home missions signifies the mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention, conducted through its Board located at Atlanta, Ga. During the last conventional year the Board had under appointment more than four hundred missionaries. These were scattered over the Southern States, Indian Territory, New Mexico and Oklahoma. These Missionaries baptized during the year more than five thousand persons. Making the number baptized five thousand and the number of missionaries four hundred, and we have an average of twelve and one-half persons baptized by each missionary. Included in this is the

work in Cuba, the success of which has been perfectly wonderful.

The church in Cuba now numbers nearly two thousand members and God is overruling opposition to the furtherance of the work amongst the Cubans. Diaz said at the Southern Baptist Convention last May: "The more they persecute, the more I baptize." God seems in the ordering of His providences to be inviting the Baptists of the South to occupy this Catholic cursed Island and give it the pure gospel. This is a call from God, will we heed the call?

The operations of the Board were more extensive and more prosperous last year than ever before, and taking heart from past success and noting the increased demands the Convention instructed the Board to extend its operations for the present year. Let our people remember the Home Board in their prayers and contributions. Will not this Association increase its contribution to Home Missions?

Conventional Missions is that department of mission work committed by the Baptists of Western N. C. to the Mission Board of the Western Baptist Convention located at Asheville, N. C. The last year was one of great success.

In our Conventional work we made an advance from one thousand and twenty-five dollars to twenty-six hundred and seventy-eight. This was more than one hundred and fifty per cent. The Convention was so much encouraged at the result that it was hoped that the Board would be able to extend its operations. Developments thus far have not been very satisfactory. Appropriations were made to the amount of about $2,000, but up to the present time the receipts have fallen far short of the liabilities. Now why is this? It is to be accounted for in part from the unfavorable winter. The churches in the country during three months did very little and the collections for this time were almost nothing.

But it is to be accounted for principally from the fact that so many of the preachers take no practical interest in missions, and especially Conventional Missions. About one-third of the churches reported, "For Conventional Missions nothing."

Your committee is of the opinion that if the matter was properly presented that there is not a Baptist church anywhere in the bounds of the Convention but would

contribute to the support of our Conventional work.

The success in the past ought to encourage us to greater efforts. Of the more than five thousand Baptisms reported at the Southern Exercise Convention, more than three hundred of them were baptized by our Missionaries and God is bidding us to go forward, it is for Him to make a way through the sin. Enlarged opportunities calls for enlarged liberalities—their ought to be a steady increase in the amount of our contribution; but we shall never succeed as we ought till we get all our people to understand and do their duties. We must educate, we must educate or perish, and the ministry must lead the work. The pastors are responsible for the training of their people, and they must lead them in doing.

Let the pastors see to it that their charges are led into this grace. Give, give not nickels, but dollars, fives and tens—the "Lord loves a cheerful giver" and the liberal soul shall be made fat.

JOHN AMMONS,
R. F. DRUMMOND,
J. W. NASH,
Committee.

After a very impressive address, on the report, by brother Ammons, it was adopted. A collection was taken for Home and Conventional Missions amounting to $25.12.

The following amounts were raised to assist in paying the salary of the interpreter of Elder S. C. Owen our Missionary to the Indians in Swain county:

Cash Collection - - - - - -	$5.15
Pledged for French Broad avenue church, Asheville, by the delegates - - - -	15.00
Total amounts - - - - - - -	$20.15

11 o'clock—Sermon by Elder J. A. Speight. Text. "Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah," etc. Isaiah 63:1.

Prayer at close of sermon by Elder John Ammons.

Took recess half hour for dinner.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The A sociation re-assembled. Sang—"Come hou foun of every ble sing."

Called to rder by Moderator Justice.

On motion, the following brethren were granted leave of absence the rest of the session, J. N. Morgan, James

Moore, James McKinish, James Pickens and J. G. Wild. The following re olution by the clerk was adopted:

Resolved, That all speeches be limited to five minutes, except those by brethren representing denominational interest.

The Report on Time, Place and Annual Sermon was read by the clerk and on motion, adopted.

TIME, PLACE AND ANNUAL SERMON.

Your committee on Time, Place and Annual Sermon, report the following:

Time—Tuesday before the third Sunday in August at 11 a. m., 1892.

Place—Flat Creek Baptist Church.

Preacher of Annual Sermon—Elder J. Q. Adams.

Alternate—Elder W. P. Southern.

J. N. MORGAN,
F. SLUDER,
J. H. DEWEY,
JAMES MEASE,
Committee.

Treasurer's report of Executive Board read by Elder J. M. Hilliard.

TREASURER'S REPORT, EXECUTIVE BOARD.

			DR.
1890.			
Sept.	1.	To balance as per last report. -	$33.66
Dec.	1.	" cash Morgan Hill Church for building Reems Creek Church - - -	9.00
1891.			
April	30.	cash Morgan Hill Church - -	5.03
June	1.	" Trinity Church - - -	5.00
Aug.	8.	" Mt. Carmel Church - -	10.00
"	10.	" First Church, Asheville -	600.00
"	10.	" Minute Fund - - -	33.55
			$696.24

1891.					CR.
Aug.	6.	By cash	J. E. Pinkerton		$20.00
"	8.	" "	Cl'ks fee F. M. Williams		10.00
"	8.	" "	Printing programme		1.50
"	8.	" "	Printing minutes		23.55
"	10.	" "	W. P. Southern, city missionary - -		$600.00
				$655.05	$696.24
					$655.05

Aug. 12, 1891. By cash on hand $41.19

E. H. WRIGHT, *Treasurer.*

The report was discussed by J. W. Starnes, J. M. Hilliard, J. A. Speight, J. P. Morgan, J. W. Nash, S. J. Morgan and the Moderator.

Report adopted.

The report of the committee to whom was referred the letter from Black Mountain church was read by Elder D. B. Nelson, and on motion, adopted as follows: Your committee beg leave to report that according to the evidence there is a serious dissension existing in the settlement, which has resulted in the exclusion of several members and that while the parties are at strife with each other they are in no condition to be useful members in our body. We also suggest that according to the powers of this body as defined in the constitution it has no power to meddle with the government of the church. Neither is this an advisory body, but an organization in which is concentrated the mission activities of the church. Let us assure the dear brethren and sisters of Black Mountain church that this Association is not a battle ground for the churches, but when we learn that they have carefully adjusted their difficulties, advising if need be with sister churches, that we will again welcome them to membership in our body.

Fraternally submitted,

D. B. NELSON,
S. W. MITCHELL,
J. D. BREVARD,
Committee.

On motion, the delegates who came to represent Black Mountain church, were invited to seats as visitors in the body.

The report of the committee on Periodicals was presented by Elder D. B. Nelson.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee, beg leave to say that the circulation of newspapers, is the most popular, the cheapest, and the most universal medium of circulating knowledge which has been adopted by this generation. Every family of much intelligence has the newspaper. The number of papers indicates the degree of intelligence. The quality of the papers indicates the state of morality in the family. What the flag is to the army, the denominational paper is to the churches. If we could get all of our people to read the same paper, they would think alike, act together and thus become unified. We take pleasure in commending our paper, the Asheville *Baptist*, published and edited by Elders J. A. Speight and N. S. Jones, Asheville and Salisbury, as a weekly paper which is in every way worthy of the confidence and support of our people. It costs but $1.50 per annum and should be in every household. We also recommend *Charity and Children*, subscription price $1.00, published at our Orphan's home at Thomasville. Also the *Foreign Mission Journal*, published at Richmond, Va., and the *Home Field*, published in Atlanta. To our Sunday schools, we recommend the *Lesson Helps*, published by the Home Board of S. B. C., in Atlanta, called the *Kind Words Series.*

Fraternally submitted.

D. B. Nelson,
J. Q. Adams,
J. M. Hilliard,
Committee.

Addresses were made on the report by Elders D. B. Nelson, J. A. Speight, J. M. Hilliard and others, at the close of which several subscribers were received to the "Asheville *Baptist*" and sixteen to "*Charity and Children.*"

The report adopted.

The report of the committee on Education was presented by John W. Starnes and after addresses by Dr. R. H. Lewis, President Judson College, Prof. J. E. White, of Mars Hill College, Jesse R. Starnes, J. A. Speight and J. M. Hilliard, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Our country continues to increase in population and wealth. Her educational and material resources must

increase in the same proportion. Material support must be provided by those who have learned how to furnish it. The number of children for school increases every year, while the number of population increases in greater proportion. This popular increase is due to an influx of foreign elements, frequently the scum of the society from which they come, hence the necessity for more and better educational facilities, that our people may be prepared to thwart contaminating influences and the better establish themselves in the light. No denomination needs to be more astir than the Baptists. Creeds, schism, and ologies are crowding themselves into our population. Who can meet them, except he be able? Who can fight a battle as well as drilled and equipped soldiers? We have some schools in the bounds of our Western Convention that are doing good work, but we need more of them and better patronage for them.

We are glad to report a thrifty growth in the school at Judson College, under Dr. Lewis, we have cause to be proud of this institution. We have several schools worth mentioning. Among them are Mars Hill College (the buildings are now being doubled in capacity) with an enrollment last year, of one hundred and eighty-nine students. And the school at Fairview which is now in a flourishing condition. There are also others which we have not space to mention. We suggest the necessity of a male college in the city of Asheville and recommend that steps be taken at once to build.

JOHN W. STARNES,
Chairman Committee.

The following correspondents to sister Associations were appointed:

To French Broad—Elders S. J. Morgan, J. M. Hilliard, J. W. Starnes and Thomas C. Morgan.

Haywood County—Elders W. A. Nelson, James Plemmons, A. I. Justice, E. J. Morgan, D. B. Nelson and J. W. Anderson.

Carolina (in Henderson County)—Elders E. J. Morgan, D. B. Nelson, A. E. Brown and James Plemmons.

Transylvania County—Elder E. J. Morgan.

The committee to nominate Executive Board recommended the following brethren: J. W. Nash, Jesse R. Starnes and J. M. Brookshire. Pending the adoption of the report on motion of Elder J. Q. Adams, it was amended by adding the officers of the Association, ex-

officers, members of the Board. The report as amended was adopted.

The following resolution was presented by Elder A. E. Brown and after much discussion, for and against, was adopted.

Resolved, That we recommend to our churches the propriety of releasing their pastors for one month during the year, and that the pastors devote that time to evangelical work within our bounds. The work to be done under the direction of the executive Board.

On motion, adjourned to 9 a. m., to-morrow. After singing doxology, and benediction by Elder D. B. Nelson.

Preaching at night by Prof. J. E. White, of Mars Hill College, from, Isaiah 40:8.

THURSDAY MORNING—AUGUST 13th.

The Association reassembled at 9 a. m. Spent one half hour in devotional exercises conducted by Elder D. B. Nelson.

Called to order by the moderator.

On motion, the reading of yesterday's minutes and calling the roll was postponed till the afternoon session.

The following resolution by J. W. Nash was, after remarks by brother Nash, Elders D. B. Nelson and James Plemmons, adopted.

Resolved, That this body condemn in the strongest terms, violations of the Sabbath by traffic by rail, by wagon, by curing tobacco and by any other means, and we ask our citizens to report all violations to the grand jury and we insist that our solicitors prosecute to the fullest extent all violations of the laws protecting our holy Sabbath.

The report of the committee on the Baptist Orphanage was presented by Elder E. J. Morgan.

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

Your committee to whom was referred the report on the "Baptist Orphanage" in North Carolina, beg leave to submit the following:

Charity and religion have always gone hand in hand, indeed charity is a part of our religion, and where ever the people have been blessed with its holy influence they have been disposed in some way or other, to relieve the destitute and suffering. But it was not until within the last decade that our Baptist people (as such) in our own

beloved State conceived the idea and began the work of building a permanent home for the bereft ones of the land.

On November 15th of 1884, in the pastor's study in the First Baptist church in Raleigh, the idea took practical shape in the organization of the Baptist Orphanage Association. The location was chosen the same year at Thomasville and purchase made of 360 acres of land, since that 14 brick and 7 wooden buildings have been erected thereon at a cost of $25,000. In these buildings have been gathered 225 children and kept there for a long or short time and there is now in the institution 124 to be clothed, fed and educated. Brethren these are God's poor, and the beloved and fatherly John H. Mills, under whose care they are calls for help—shall he call in vain?

Respectfully submitted,
E. J. Morgan,
Hiram Buckner,
J. G. Wild,
Committee.

Speeches were made by Elders E. J. Morgan, R. A. Sentell, W. T. Bradley, J. M. Hilliard and brother J. W. Starnes at the close of which a collection was taken for the orphanage amounting to $13.15. Report adopted.

The report of the committee on deceased ministers read by Elder A. E. Brown and on motion, adopted, as follows:

Whereas: It pleased the Lord on the 2nd day of May, 1891, to call our venerable brother, Rev. Thomas Stradley, from his earthly to his heavenly home; and

Whereas: We recognize in him a pioneer of the Baptist cause in this country; therefore,

Resolved, That we set apart a memorial page in our minutes to his memory

A. E. Brown,
W. A. Nelson,
James Plemmons,
Committee.

11 o'clock—Preaching by Elder J. Q. Adams. Text, "Depart for I will send the far hence unto the Gentiles." Acts. 22:21.

Prayer at close of sermon by Elder A. E. Brown.

On motion, brother Adams was requested to furnish the Asheville *Baptist* a copy of his sermon for publication.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by Dr. W. A. Nelson.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Many reports on Foreign Missions have been prepared with the greatest care and printed in our minutes from time to time, but whether these reports were read by the many who most needed the information therein contained is indeed doubtful; hence no elaborate report is offered at this time. Nor is such a report necessary, since all the information that any one could desire is abundant and accessible to all. The "*Foreign Mission Journal*" and the "*Home Field*," published by our Mission Board and very cheaply, ought to be circulated throughout all our churches. Let pastors and deacons see that this is done and then the trouble will end as to the aising of money for the Lord's work. Our Board at Richmond, under the instruction of the Southern Baptist Convention, has appointed a large number of new Missionaries to the Foreign Field, several of whom are from our own State. The Board calls upon Western North Carolina for two thousand dollars this year. This is considerably more than we have been accustomed to contribute, but not a dollar more than we can and ought to give. One single church in the bounds of this Association has undertaken the support of a missionary in China, at an expense of $600 per annum. This is more than one-fourth of the $2,000 asked for by the Board. Will not this Association undertake the support of another missionary in the Foreign Field? Brethren, we can do it. Will we not try?

The year 1892 will be celebrated by the Convention as the Centennial of Foreign Missions. Every church in Buncombe county, and every church member should be glad to participate in it. Let us rally along the lines.

W. A. Nelson,
W. T. Bradley,
J. A. Speight,
Committee.

After an address by Dr. Nelson, a collection was taken for foreign missions. Amount $6.71. Report adopted.

On motion, the Association agreed to raise $600 for six successive years to support a missionary in a foreign field.

The following resolutions, by Elder J. Q. Adams, were unanimously adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That each church of this Association be requested to raise a fixed and definite amount of money for the various objects fostered by our Convention.

Resolved, That the Executive Board be requested to fix the amount to be raised by each church and publish the same in the minutes, and to make such efforts as may be deemed necessary during the year to secure the payments of the amounts assigned to each church.

[NOTE.—Since the close of the Association and in accordance to obligations assumed, the Executive Board met during session of union meeting at Berea church, Saturday, August 29th, and made apportionment of amount to be raised by each church during the year for the Foreign Mission work as given below—CLERK.]

French Broad Avenue, Asheville,	$200.00
Fern Hill,	50.00
Cane Creek,	35.00
Hominy,	30.00
Gashes Creek,	30.00
Berea,	25.00
Beaver Dam,	25.00
Mount Carmel,	20.00
Morgan Hill,	1[illegible].00
Flat Creek,	18.00
White Rock,	15.00
Antioch,	18.00
Macedonia,	12.00
North Fork Swannanoa,	10.00
Big Ivy,	10.00
Spring Mountain,	10.00
Trinity,	8.00
Coopers,	6.00
Pleasant Hill,	6.00
New Morgan Hill,	5.00
Bent Creek,	5.00
Bethel,	5.00
New Salem,	5.00
Oak Grove,	5.00
Chestnut Grove,	5.00
Mount Olivet,	5.00
Locust Grove,	5.00
Vernon Hill,	5.00
Black Mountain,	2.50
Avery's Creek,	2.00
Total amount,	$595.50

The following resolution by Elder A. E. Brown was adopted:

Resolved, That we set apart Wednesday of our next Association as a centennial day for Missions, and that the Executive Board be requested to prepare a program.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association re-assembled. Sang—"We'll work till Jesus comes," etc.

Called to order by Moderator Justice.

The clerk read minutes of yesterday and to-day, which were adopted. Called the roll of delegates names and marked absentees, not excused.

On motion, the clerk was ordered to have the minutes printed and distributed, and that he be allowed the usual fee of $10 for his services.

On motion, the moderator of the Association was made Chairman of the Executive Board.

The report of the committee on the State of the Churches was presented by J. H. Woodward.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

Your committee respectfully submit the following report:

We find financially that there has been an advancement in pastors salaries of $900.00, Foreign Missions, $450; County Missions, $30, over last year. Increase of 120 in membership as reported by the letters. We find ten churches not reported in the Association by letter. We find that the strong churches have the pastors and are advancing in the work, but the weak churches have the weaker pastors and are not in a healthy condition. We recommend a distribution of pastors in manner that they have some strong and some weak churches, so the strong can help support the weak. In view of mission work among the churches of the Association, we would suggest to our Board to select one of our best pastors as Missionary to do more efficient work in the bounds of the Association than has been done heretofore. We find a number of preachers not engaged in pastoral work. We think the churches that have them as members should try and get them to work.

J. W. Anderson,
J. H. Woodward,
W. S. Roberts,
Committee.

Addresses on the report by Elders J. W. Anderson, E. J. Morgan and brother J. H. Woodward.

Report adopted.

The Historian presented a part of his report, but the remainder being in some way misplaced since his coming to the Association, he was granted the privilege of afterwards furnishing the clerk with the report complete for publication.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

The increase in church membership for last year was 120. The number of churches added to this body was thr e. The denomination has made some improvements upon church property. The church at Trinity, which formerly owned but a one-third interest in their house, have bought out their entire property; now they worship under their own vine and fig tree. First Church at Asheville, has commenced the erection of a magnificent edifice in the corner of College and Spruce streets on what is known as the Vance property. The church and grounds will cost about forty thousand dollars. Our denomination has sustained great loss in the death of some of its most useful members. Among whom especial mentio · is made of Elder Thomas Stradley and brothers Geo. Alexander and A. C. Melke. Elder Stradley was the founder of the First Baptist church, in Asheville. To the building of this house of worship he devoted many of the best years of his life, and was for a long time shepherd of the little flock, which has since grown to a great army seeking and building more spacious quarters. To his memory we give our best love; to his faithful and eminently successful labors we give honor; to his immediate family we tender our sympathy; and, about the little mound which covers his priestly form we entwine a wreath of never dying memory; then, looking up through our tears of sadness to the God whom he served and to the Christ whom he taught us to follow, we pray that the mantle of this ascended Elijah may fall upon some one whom the spirit of the living God may quicken, bless and direct in scattering the seeds of love and mercy and bringing in the sheaves. Brother Alexander was for many years a faithful deacon of Berea church, devoted to Christianity giving liberally of the means with which the Lord had blessed him to the support of every good cause.

Brother Melke was a useful member, a consecrated

man of God, which is well evidence in his devoted work of life and in the bequeathal of nearly all of his large estate "to the help of the Lord against the mighty."

We have been favored by the coming, into our midst, of our brother Rev. J. A. Speight, editor-in-chief of the Asheville *Baptist*. Under his editorship the paper has been much improved and promises to be eminently useful as the organ of the Western N. C. Convention.

JOHN W. STARNES, Historian.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was presented by Elder W. P. Southern, and on motion, adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to report:

That they believe that the cause of Temperance and Prohibition is growing in strength, and that its friends are becoming bolder in their efforts and for further encouragement would recommend:

1. That the ministers of this Association disseminate and encourage the reading of Temperance literature.

2. That they insist upon a strict discipline with members who make even a moderate use of intoxicants as a beverage, and that they discourage by example and precept the great evil growing out of the wholesale abuse of "*prescription* for *medicinal purpose*."

3. That the brethren at the primary, municipal and general elections vote for no man who drinks, votes with or is supported by the "whisky ring." Believing that we the friends of this important cause ought to be as persistent and as consistent in our efforts to suppress the whisky traffic as our opponents are to sustain it.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. SOUTHERN,
S. J. MORGAN,
Committee.

The report of Committee on Sunday Schools was presented by brother E. H. Wright, and on motion, adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

It is gratifying to every lover of Sabbath schools to notice marked progress by a number of our churches in this department of Christian labor. We much approve the systematic plan of weekly contributions by every class in the school. Also specific mission work as practiced by some of our schools is commendable and worthy

of imitation. But it is a noticeable fact that some of the churches are much neglecting the Sabbath school work. Whether the fault be with the pastor or the people we cannot say, but we do most earnestly insist upon a greater degree of zeal and consecration in this department of the Master's Vineyard. What a grand field—what a glorious work for all to engage in; room for all—work for all.

Brethren let us not cease our work until every church has an evergreen school, and every member of the church a member of the school. Then God's blessings will more abundantly rest upon all the churches. Believing that a more thorough co-operation of the churches in this work is needed; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we earnestly recommend an annual convention to be formed by all the churches of the Western Convention to be known as Western North Carolina Baptist Sunday School Convention.

E. H. Wright,
J. P. Morgan,
L. B. McBrayer,
Committee.

The Committee on Finance report sent up by the churches for the printing of minutes $31.75. (See Financial table.)

On motion, the clerk was ordered, in case of a failure to have enough money to print a sufficient number of minutes, to draw on the Executive Board for the necessary amount.

On motion, the appointment of a county superintendent of Sunday schools was referred to the Executive Board.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are hereby tendered to the brethren, sisters and friends of Buncombe County Baptist Association around Beaver Dam church for their generous hospitality in entertaining the delegates and visitors.

John W. Starnes.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this body that it is improper for any delegate to leave the meeting before final adjournment, except in case of sickness. It is also our opinion that if our Association was to last but one day, some of the delegates would leave at recess.

D. B. Nelson.

Appointed Elder R. E. L. Campbell a delegate to the Western Baptist Convention.

After singing "All hail the power of Jesus name," etc, and prayer by the moderator, the Association adjourned to meet with Flat Creek Baptist church, on Tuesday before the third Sunday in August, at 11 a. m., 1892.

Elder Amos I. Justice, Moderator.

F. Marion Williams, Clerk.

"There Shall be no Night There."

REV. 21: 25.

TO THE MEMORY OF

REV. THOMAS STRADLEY,

A VETERAN of the CROSS.

Born in Woolwich, England, the 16th of March, 1798.

Died in Buncombe County, N. C., the 2nd of May, 1891.

A Faithful Minister of the Gospel for over Sixty Years.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I—Name.

Section 1. This body shall be known as the "Buncombe County Baptist Association."

Article II.—Constituency.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for. Provided, however, That any church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Sec. 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor, and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

Sec. 3. The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body, without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

Article III.—Officers.

Section 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Associat on and pay them out upon the order of the same.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

Article IV.—Object.

Section 1. It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the Western Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Mission, Foreign Mission, Education, Sunday schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

Article V.—Committees.

Section 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place, and Annual Sermon of the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of said committees to report, in writing, on the subject given them in charge while the Association is in session.

Article VI.—Executive Board.

Sec. 1. This body shall at each Annual Meeting appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of the Western Baptist Convention in supplying the destitution within our bounds.

Article VII.—Church Letters.

Sec. 1. The church letter shall give the following information, to wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; name of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their post office; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members, time of prayer meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday school and Bible Missions, and if for any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday school to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and post office of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

Article VIII.—By-Laws.

Sec. 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

Article IX.—Meeting.

Sec. 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article X.—Printing.

Sec. 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI.—Correspondence.

Sec. 1. This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII.—Faith.

Sec. 1. This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Sec. 2. As an abstract of Faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

Article XIII.—Amendment.

Sec. 1. This Constitution may be amened by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Church Expenses	County Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Conventional Missions.	Church Building and Repairs.	Baptist Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Support of Poor.	Minute Fund.	All other Objects.	Total Money Raised.
Asheville 1st Church	W. A Nelson	1800 00	540 38	405 00		416 96	51 73	6689 77	52 50	169 45	309 21	5 00		10440 00
Asheville 2d Church	J. Q. Adams	1500 00	172 15		50 00	179 51		17 02		125 30	70 78	2 00		2116 76
Antioch	W. T. Bradley	60 00		30	1 23	5 72	3 23		86			2 05	20 00	93 69
Bethel	J. W. Hooker	34 80										75		35 55
Big Ivy	W. A. Robertson	60 00										2 00		62 00
Berea	A. E. Brown	150 00				24 00	5 00		2 00		2 00		55 00	238 00
Beaver Dam	A. E. Brown	120 00	19 00			35 45	12 00	4 00				1 00	15 00	206 45
Cane Creek	J. M. Hilliard	150 00	30 00			10 00	5 47	3 00	10 00		8 00	2 50		218 97
Cooper's	A. I. Justice	40 00		4 82		1 24		12 50	2 25			50		61 31
Chestnut Grove	J. J. Shepard											75		75
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradley	60 00				11 16						1 60		62 76
Fern Hill	D. B. Nelson	600 00	24 00	6 06		35 00	14 06	29 50	27 58	6 06	6 50			750 26
Gashes Creek	J. W. Anderson											80		
Hominy	R. A. Sentell	200 00	2 65			7 00	15 00		5 00			1 40		231 05
Morgan Hill	S. J. Morgan & W. T. Bradley	100 00		5 00		5 00	2 97					1 50		114 50
Macedonia	A. B. Hawkins	50 00				4 00			5 34		4 63	60		64 97
Mount Carmel	J. M. Hilliard	75 00	10 00	1 00		15 00	10 00		11 40			2 00	26 89	150 29
Locust Grove	A. J. Sprinkle											1 10		1 10
New Morgan Hill	E. J. Morgan	40 00	8 00			3 34	2 69					1 00		55 03
Pleasant Hill	A. I. Justice	50 00	3 00			2 00	1 95				4 00	1 10		62 05
Oak Grove	M. S Proffitt	50 00										90		50 90
Spring Mountain	F. C. Hamrick	50 00				1 75						70		52 45
White Rock	E. J. Morgan	50 00				2 30	2 30					1 00		55 60
		5839 80	809 18	422 18	51 23	759 43	126 40	7755 79	116 93	300 81	405 12	31 75	116 89	15524 44

Church Statistics.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Church Constituted	Sabbath of Meeting.	Value of Church Property.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Present Membership. Males.	Females.	Total.
Asheville 1st Church	J. H. Tucker	Asheville, N. C	1829	‡	10000	70	66		38	20	4	253	406	659
French Broad Ave. Church	R. H. Lee	" "	1887	‡	6500	10	37	1	17	5	1	71	103	174
Antioch	T. J. Garrison	Democrat, "	1883	3	800	7	1		4	3	1	40	76	116
Bethel	B. F Hayes	Juno, "	1855	4	500	2	2	1	3	1		13	34	47
Big Ivy	S. J. Carter	Democrat, "	1823	2	800	3			4			60	96	156
Berea	B. G. Shope	Riceville, "	1853	1&3	1800	4			7	2	2	36	41	77
Beaver Dam	E. P. Stradley	Asheville, "	1885	4			2				1	15	18	33
*Bent Creek			1845	2										
Cane Creek	P. O. Merrell	Fair View, "	1806	2&4	800		5	1	11	25	4	60	86	146
Cooper's	J. H. Dewey	Cooper's, "	1883	2&3	600				6	1		8	9	17
Chestnut Grove	F. Summey	Denia, "	1891	1								6	7	13
Flat Creek	T. W. Blackstock	Stocksville, "	1811	1			8	5	9	1	2	63	96	159
Fern Hill	C. R. Whitaker	Biltmore, "	1889	‡			7		2	1		21	21	42
Gashes Creek	R. C. Sales	Biltmore, "	1856											
Hominy	Levi S. Clark	Candler, "	1812	1&3	1800			1	17	1	2	44	68	112
Morgan Hill	F. M. Williams	Morgan Hill, "	1866	4	800		5	1	1	6	1	54	94	148
Macedonia	T. M. Knight	Ownby, "	1839	2	300		2			2		19	25	44
Mount Carmel	M P Duckett	Juno, "	1885	1	800		6		6	1	2	41	58	99
Locust Grove	L. H. Sprinkle	Stocksville, "	1891			2	4							29
New Morgan Hill	S. M. Morgan	Candler, "	1889	3			1		3	1		16	20	36
*North Fork Swannanoa	W. H. Burnett	Bl'k Moun'tn,	1828											96
Pleasant Hill	S. B. Moore	Weaverville,"	1879	2		11	5			2		30	29	59
Oak Grove	J. J. Fox	Jupiter, "		2			3		4	1	1			50
Spring Mountain	J. A. Guffey	Fair View, "	1891	3		1	7			1	1	17	22	39
*Trinity	W. M. Cook	Candler, "	1874	1								12	18	30
White Rock	J. C. Bird		1881	1					2	5	6	35	41	76
					25500	110	163	10	134	79	28	914	1368	2457

*Not Represented. †Old Statistics. ‡Every Sabbath.

Sunday School Statistics.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Officers and Teachers.	Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Professions in Sunday School	Baptisms.	Collections for Support of School.	Class Collections	Collections for other Objects.	Baptist Orphanage.	Paid City Missionary.	Literature Used.	Total Money Raised.
Asheville 1st Church	D. T. Millard	32	426	254			249 45	721 13	231 78		240 00	Bap't	721 13
*Academy Hill	G. H. Burnham	7	186	85	6	3		113 44	60 00				174 44
*West End	J. R. Patterson	22	323	228	108	50		335 56	1453 20				1788 76
French Broad Avenue, Asheville	H. J. Greenwell	12	123	62	6		40 00		61 77				101 77
Antioch	E. B. Goldsmith	6	75				10 00						10 00
Bethel	Marion Embler	6	45	30			3 50						3 50
Berea	W. M. Whisenhunt	6	50	30			5 00		11 00				16 00
Beaver Dam	W. Haynes	9	50	35			4 00		16 76				20 76
Cane Creek	J. H. Freeman	5	95	63			14 78		8 00	5 00			27 78
Cooper's	S. W. Mitchell	3	36	27			3 87		21 31				25 18
Chestnut Grove	Garret Buckner		51	27									
Flat Creek	W. S. Roberts	4											
Fern Hill	Jas. M. Brookshire	6	62	36			28 68	122 72					122 72
Gashes Creek													
Hominy	J. E. Morgan	7		39			7 35						7 35
Morgan Hill	T. C. Morgan	8					8 00						8 00
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EXECUTIVE BOARD.

J. W. Nash, Jesse R. Starnes and J. Mooney, with the officers of the Association, ex-officio.

The next session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association will be held with Cane Creek Church, at Fairview, N. C., eleven miles southeast of Asheville. N. C., beginning on Tuesday, at 11 a. m., before third Sunday in August, 1893. Introductory sermon by Rev. A. E. Brown; alternate, Rev. W. T. Bradley.

PROCEEDINGS.

FLAT CREEK CHURCH, Tuesday, August 16, 1892.

The Buncombe County Baptist Association of North Carolina met in its eleventh annual session with the Flat Creek Baptist Church, at 11 a. m. Rev. J. Q. Adams preached the introductory sermon. Scripture read, Acts. 2d Chapter. Text—"And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." 47th verse of chapter read. Prayer at close of sermon by Rev. J. L White. Sang, "How firm a foundation ye Saints of the Lord," Adjourned one hour after benediction by the Moderator, Rev. A. I. Justice.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association re-assembled at 1 o'clock.

Sang—"Jesus lover of my soul."

Prayer by Rev. D. B. Nelson.

Called to order by the Moderator, Rev. A. I. Justice.

The Moderator appointed Brethren Jno. W. Starnes and J. H. Tucker reading clerks, and letters were read from the following churches and their delegate's names enrolled, as follows:.

Asheville First Church—Rev. J. L. White, pastor; Revs. J. W. Anderson, W. P. Southern and J. A. Speight, D. D., Brethren J. H. Tucker, G. H. Burnham, J. S. R. Evans, J. P. Morgan, W. E Logan, W. D. Justice, J. M. Morgan, D. B. Deaver, J. W. Starnes and L. B. McBrayer, M. D.

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Big Ivy—S. J. Carter.

Berea—Rev. A. E. Brown, pastor; Joseph Cordell and J. H. Cordell.

Beaver Dam—Samuel Jenkins and J. R. Stradley.

Bethel—R. H. Embler and W. M. Embler.

Cane Creek—Jason Ashworth, A. H. Pinkerton, S. J. Ashworth, O. D. Buckner, Gaston Spivey and Bradley Spivey.

Concord—Letter but no delegate.

French Broad Avenue, Asheville—Rev. J. Q. Adams, pastor; R. F. Drummond and Jesse R. Starnes.

Fern Hill—Rev. M. A. Jenkins, pastor; Rev. D. B. Nelson.

Flat Creek—A. Lochart, J. D. Taylor, W. S. Roberts, M. W. Harison, J. G. Wild, J. H. Sams, S. Morgan and N. M. Killpatrick.

Gashe's Creek—W. H. Sales.

Locust Grove—B. J. S. McLean and W. H. Chandler.

Macedonia—M. E. Sluder and Gideon Rymer.

Morgan Hill—Rev. S. J. Morgan, pastor; T. C. Morgan, J. N. Morgan, O. T. Bell, F. M. Stockton, H. B. Miles and F. M. Williams.

Mount Carmel—Rev. A. I. Justice, pastor; J. W. Nash, Nelson Plemmons, John Page, A. E. Ingle, F. P. Ingle and Henry Plemmons.

Oak Grove—James Pickens and Robert McLean.

Pleasant Hill—Rev. Jas. E. Bassett, pastor; A. E. Kuykendall, N. Howard and James Moore.

Spring Mountain—John Mitchell, N. A. Wright and B. O. Chatam.

Vernon Hill—Rev. R. E. L Campbell.

White Rock—L. W. Morgan and G. W. Peebles.

Hominy—P. P. Morgan and W. H. Morgan.

Bent Creek—Thos. Stradley and N. B. Creasman.

Trinity—Rev. T. J. Brock, pastor; W. M. Cook, Clarence McKinney and Samuel Miller.

Black Mountain—J. R. Baily and A. W. Burlison.

NEWLY CONSTITUTED CHURCHES.

Mount Olive—R. A. Stewart and J. H. Miller.

Highland—J. M. Davis and M. W. Saunders.

Sulphur Springs—James Cowan.

Pleasant Grove—W. H. Early.

Proceeded to the election of officers of the Association, which resulted in the re-election of Rev. A. I. Justice, moderator, and F. M. Williams, clerk, and the election of Boardman Stradley, treasurer, and Rev. D. B. Nelson, historian.

Letters were presented from several newly constituted churches, which were, with the letter from Black Mountain church, referred to the following committee to examine articles of faith, &c., and to report on their reception:

Revs. J. L. White, A. E. Brown and D. B. Nelson.

On motion, adopted last year's order of business.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Meet at 9 a. m. Spend half hour in devotional exercises.
2. Read minutes of yesterday.
3. Call for correspondents and delegates who may have arrived since yesterday.
4. Reports of Committees.
5. Sermon at 11 a. m.
6. Intermission.
7. Meet at 1 p. m.
8. Adjourn at will.

The consideration of the report on Home and Conventional Missions made the special order for 11 a. m. tomorrow.

Rev. W. A. Robertson accepted a seat as correspondent from the Yancy Co. Association.

The Moderator appointed the following committees to present reports during the session:

On Home and Conventional Missions—John P. Morgan, J. W. Nash and Rev. S. J. Morgan.

On Foreign Missions—Revs J. Q. Adams, W. P. Southern and M. A. Jenkins.

On Education—Rev. J. L. White, J. W. Starnes and Rev. T. J. Brock.

On Periodicals—Rev. D. B. Nelson, F. P. Ingle and G. H. Burnham.

On Temperance—Rev. A. E. Brown, W. D. Justice and James Pickens.

On Sunday Schools—J. H. Tucker, R. E. L. Campbell and R. F. Drummond.

On the Baptist Orphanage—Rev. W. T. Bradley, Rev. J. W. Anderson and J. N. Morgan.

On the State of the Churches—Rev. T. J. Brock, W. S. Roberts and J. H. Woodward.

On Time, Place and Preacher—A. H. Pinkerton, R. H. Embler, James Moore and Jonathan Mooney.

On Finance—James Cowan, T. C. Morgan and J. R. Baily.

On Nomination of Executive Board—J. W. Starnes, Rev. J. W. Anderson and W. D. Justice.

On Religious Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of Flat Creek church.

It being announced that Rev. J. A. Speight, editor of the *Asheville Baptist*, would have to go away before the report on Periodicals could be presented, he was asked

to present the claims of his paper at this time, which was done by himself and Rev. J. L. White, after which several subscribers were received.

To-morrow having been set apart to be observed by the Association as a Centennial day of Foreign Missions, on motion of Rev. A. E. Brown, the consideration of the report on Foreign Missions was made the special order for to-morrow morning.

Adjourned to 9 a. m. to-morrow, after prayer by Rev. A. E. Brown.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 17.

The Association re-assembled at 9 o'clock, and devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. M. A. Jenkins.

Moderator Justice in the chair.

Minutes of yesterday read and adopted.

Rev. S. F. Moore was invited to a seat as correspondent from the Carolina Association in Henderson county.

The Committee on Newly Constituted Churches presented their report, which was adopted.

NEWLY CONSTITUTED CHURCHES.

Your committee beg leave to recommend the reception of Pleasant Grove, Mt. Olive, Sulphur Springs and Highland churches as newly constituted Baptist churches.

Your committee also recommend that the Black Mountain Baptist church be restored to fellowship, since from evidence given the committee, this church has righteously adjusted their difficulties.

J. L. WHITE,
D. B. NELSON,
A. E. BROWN,
Committee.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported by the chairman, Rev. J. Q. Adams, as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to submit the following report:

We are in the midst of the "Centennial Year." One hundred years ago Wm. Cary inaugurated the modern Missionary movement. The church then was in a most profound slumber. She no longer heard the Saviour crying "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel

to every creature." It was him to break in upon her slumbers, with the cry "Expect great things of God, attempt great things for God," and with the finger of one hand resting on the great commission and the finger of the other hand upon a map which he had drawn of the heathen world, he bade the church "look on this and then look on that—see the heathen dying; hear the Saviour calling 'Go ye disciple all nations'"

We thank God for Carey, and Judson, and Rice, and Boardman, and for all the faithful men and consecrated women which He has sent to labor on the foreign field. And as we look back over the past hundred years we are profoundly grateful to God for the signal blessing which has attended all efforts to give the world the gospel.

It is proposed to celebrate the beginning of modern missions by raising during this centennial year $250,000, to be equally divided between the Home and Foreign Mission Boards, to be used for church building, Bible and tract translation and other work of a permanent nature, with the understanding that contributions for this purpose must not be in lieu of, or be allowed in any way to interfere with the regular collections for the regular work of the Boards.

In order to raise this fund we must secure large contributions from the rich, and thousands of smaller gifts from the poor.

An average contribution of twenty-five cents per member from the Baptists of the South would give us $300,000—$50,000 more than is contemplated, or one cent per month from each Sunday school scholar would give us the $250,000, and more besides. We commend to pastors and churches the use of the "Centennial Chapel Cards," to be had free at Maryland Baptist Mission Rooms, Baltimore, as a valuable help in raising this Centennial Fund.

In addition to raising $250,000 it is the purpose of the Foreign Board to send out one hundred new missionaries, a missionary for each year of the past one hundred years. This is of much greater importance than the Centennial Fund. Let us ask the Lord to raise up from among us these one hundred men who shall say to our Board "here am I, send me."

We desire here to reaffirm our abiding confidence in the piety, consecration and wisdom of the Foreign Mis-

sion Board at Richmond. Some of its members have served on the Board for more than twenty years. Some members of the Board are lawyers and business men who are honored in the business world for their fine judgment and business sense. We have great confidence in the plans adopted by the Board, as the wisest and best for carrying on i s work. And hence we deplore the fact that some of our missionaries connected with our North China Mission have felt constrained to withdraw from the employ of the Board, and inaugurate a plan of work antagonistic to the Board, and which, if carried out, would disintegrate and destroy the Missionary work of the Southern Baptist Convention. Let us indulge the hope that this breach may be healed and that these brethren will reconsider their action and again enter the employ of the Board, and that God will overrule this little ripple in our foreign work to His glory and the salvation of the heathen.

Respectfully submitted.

J. Q. ADAMS,
W. P. SOUTHERN.
M. A. JENKINS,
Committee.

The report was discussed in the following order, as recommended by the Executive Board for the Centennial day:

1. The first century of Christian Missions, by Rev. J. A. Speight.

2. The heathen lost without the gospel, by Rev. D. B. Nelson.

At the close of these addresses the Association engaged in singing "All hail the power of Jesus' name."

On motion, the report on Foreign Missions was laid on the table.

The report on Home and Conventional Missions was presented by J. P. Morgan, corresponding secretary of the Western Baptist Convention.

REPORT ON HOME AND CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

It is generally known that Home Missions signifies the Home Mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention, conducted by its Board, located at Atlanta, Georgia.

During the last year the Board had under appointment 365 missionaries. These were scattered over the Southern States, Indian Territory, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

These missionaries baptized during the year 5,274. The total additions during the year were 11,247. The churches constituted were 179. Included in this is the work in Cuba. Our work on this Island continues with increased interest. Year by year our cause is taking strong hold upon the masses of the people.

The purchase of property in the midst of the city has furnished our Baptist people with an attractive and spacious house of worship. This insures to the public mind the permanency of our cause and elevates their conceptio of the forces behind it to do a work which will stand.

CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

Our Conventional Missions is composed of the 13 counties of North Carolina, west of the Blue Ridge, which is the territory composing the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention. The Board is located at Asheville, N. C.

The Board closed its last year's work in debt, and owing to the hard times and scarcity of money, the Board has not been able to do the work that it would otherwise have done.

It has, at this time in the field, a corresponding secretary and two missionaries: Rev. S. H. Harrington, located at Murphy, which is a very important field. One that we, as Baptist people, cannot afford to neglect longer, but we must rally to the front, as this is a centre, and build a house of worship. The out look from this field is very hopeful.

Rev. W. M. Jamison is doing good work as missionary and colporteur in the counties of Yancy and Madison. Several of the counties within the bounds of our Convention have missionaries and colporteurs.

We are now assured of $600 from the Home Board, at Atlanta, Ga. We hope to get a donation in scriptures and religious books from the American Baptist Publication Society, at Philadelphia, Pa., of $600, making $1,200.

Now, brethren, with this assistance, cannot the 25,000 Baptists of Western North Carolina raise a fund of $3,700 to be expended for the cause of missions within our bounds? This would require a donation of only one dollar per member. We need, and must have, as many as three of our strongest preachers to go into the field as missionaries. Men who can teach the people the

story of the Cross and their duty in giving to the support of the cause of Jesus Christ.

While we know it is our duty to give to foreign missions, we must turn our attention, during this year, more to our Conventional work.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. MORGAN,
S. J. MORGAN,
J. W. NASH,
Committee.

After an address on the report by the Corresponding Secretary, J. P. Morgan, a collection was taken for Conventional Missions, amounting to $20.

On motion of Rev. J. L. White the report was amended by saying "we will try to raise this year, for Conventional Missions, $400."

The roll of churches was called and the following pledges made for Conventional Missions:

Fern Hill,	$35 00	Pleasant Hill,	$5 00
Cane Creek,	15 00	Bent Creek,	10 00
Hominy,	25 00	Bethel,	5 00
Gashe's Creek,	10 00	Oak Grove,	5 00
Berea,	15 00	Mt. Olivet,	5 00
Beaver Dam,	20 00	Locust Grove,	5 00
Mt. Carmel,	10 00	Vernon Hill,	5 00
Morgan Hill,	10 00	Black Mountain,	2 50
Flat Creek,	10 00	Sulphur Springs,	2 00
White Rock,	10 00	Highland,	5 00
Antioch,	10 00	Pleasant Grove,	2 50
Macedonia,	5 00	Black Mt. Station,	2 50
Big Ivy,	10 00	Concord,	2 50
Spring Mountain,	2 50	F. B. Ave., Asheville,	50 00
Trinity,	5 00	Asheville 1st Church,	100 50

Total church pledge, $400.

The following individual pledges were made for Conventional Missions:

Rev. J. L. White, $10; Jno. W. Starnes, $10; W. E. Logan, $10; J. H. Tucker, $10; Jason Ashworth, $10; L. B. McBrayer, $10; Rev. J. Q. Adams, $10; Asheville Baptist and J. P. Morgan, $10; John E. Davis, $10; G. H. Burnham and Rev. W. P. Southern, $10.

Individual pledges, $100. Total for churches and individuals, $500.

The report on Home and Conventional Missions was adopted.

The Association adjourned one hour, with the benediction by Rev. J. L. White.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association re-assembled at one o'clock. Sang "Am I a soldier of the cross," &c. Called to order by Moderator Justice.

The following brethren were welcomed to seats: Rev. T. M. Honeycutt, correspondent from the French Broad Association. J. C. C. Dunford, visitor from the Roanoke Association, Va.

On motion of Rev. D. B. Nelson, the report on Foreign Missions was taken from the table and the discussion continued:

3d. "The revival of the missionary spirit under William Carey," discussed by Rev. A. E. Brown.

At the close of Bro. Brown's address the congregation sang "Oh where are the reapers," &c.

4th. "The Baptist and Missionary work," by Rev. J. L. White.

Sang "Come, thou fount of every blessing."

5th. "Encouragement to mission work among the heathen," by J. Q. Adams.

At the close of this address, sang "The morning light is breaking."

The report was adopted.

The committee to nominate an Executive Board, submitted their report, recommending for appointment brethren Jesse R. Starnes, Jonathan Mooney and J. W. Nash, which was, on motion, adopted.

J. W. Anderson.
Jno. W. Starnes,
W. D. Justice,
Committee.

On motion, the 6th article of the Constitution was so amended as to make the officers of the Association ex-officio members of the Executive Board.

A verbal statement of the following report of the Executive Board (the report not having been yet presented) was made by the Moderator, and on motion, unanimously adopted, and the report, when received, was ordered printed in the minutes.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Aug. 12, 1892.

At a meeting of the Executive Board of Buncombe County Baptist Association, held at Fairview, July 30th, 1892, the Board considered a proposition made by the Trustees of Fairview Collegiate Institute of Buncombe County, North Carolina, donating and conveying the buildings of said Collegiate Institute, including four acres of land, valued at from $6,000 to $7,000 to any Protestant denomination that would pay the remaining indebtedness upon the property, of about $2,300, and would establish a school.

Upon investigation, we find that $1,700 of said indebtedness has been provided for by good subscriptions, all of which were made with the understanding that the title to said property be made to Buncombe County Baptist Association, or to such trustees as the Association might appoint. The remaining $600 indebtedness has been guaranteed by a number of brethren, to be secured by subscriptions payable within two years.

Realizing the need of such an enterprise, and believing this to be a favorable location and a rare opportunity of securing valuable property,

We therefore recommend that this Association accept this offer and arrange for the opening of a school at an early date.

A. I. JUSTICE,
J. R. STARNES.
E. H. WRIGHT,
J. W. NASH,
Executive Board.

The following trustees were appointed for Fairview Collegiate Institute, and its management turned over to them:

Jason Ashworth, James A. Brookshire, Thomas C. Morgan, T. J. Reed, Frank P. Ingle, Dr. G. W. Purefoy, J. H. Tucker, Rev. A. I. Justice, Jesse R. Starnes, Rev. A. E. Brown, Judson Morgan, Rev. J. L. White, Rev. J. Q. Adams, Rev. D. B. Nelson and James H. Sames.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, the Buncombe County Association has agreed to accept the Fairview Collegiate Institute property and to assume charge and control of the school upon the terms and conditions of the trustees thereof, and

Whereas, said property is encumbered by deed of trust,

and in order to perfect and pass title to the Association, a sale under said deed of trust, is necessary, and

Whereas, said property is now advertised to be sold, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Association, with the concurrence of the Board of Education, appoint Dr. G. W. Purefoy a *special trustee* for the Board, to appear at said sale and bid off the property at the sum of $2,300, and to hold title to the same, as trustee, until the trustees of said College can procure a charter or shall demand the title of said property of him, and this without personal liability on him or this Association. And in order to secure the amount so bid, until the same shall be raised and paid, the said Purefoy is hereby authorized and empowered to execute to Jason Ashworth a deed of trust on said property to secure the amount due to Jason Ashworth. And if the said Purefoy declines to act, the Board of Trustees shall have power to appoint a substitute.

J. H. TUCKER.

On motion, J. H. Tucker, Rev. D. B. Nelson and Rev. W. P. Southern were constituted a committee to consider the necessary changes to be made in the Constitution.

The consideration of the report on Education was made the special order for 10 a. m. to-morrow.

Adjourned to 9 a. m. to-morrow, after benediction by Rev. Jas. Plemmons.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 18.

The Association re-assembled at 9 o'clock. Spent half hour in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. P. Southern.

The Association was called to order by Moderator Justice. Minutes of yesterday read, corrected and adopted.

On motion, Rev. J. A. Reagan, M. D., of Weaverville, N. C., and Rev. J. H. Weaver, D. D., Presiding Elder of the Asheville district M. E. Church, South, were invited to seats in the body.

The following resolution was presented by Rev. J. L. White, and on motion, adopted:

Whereas, the Board of Missions of the Western North Carolina Convention have promised the Home Board at Atlanta, to raise $500 for Home Missions in the Western North Carolina Convention.

Resolved, That we request the Board to apportion this amount to the Associations of this Convention.

Resolved, That the Buncombe County Association pledge to raise its apportionment.

On motion of Rev. J. Q. Adams, it was agreed to try to raise $400 next year for Foreign Missions.

The following resolutions by Bro. Adams were adopted:

Resolved, That each church of this Association be requested to raise a definite amount of money for the various objects fostered by our Convention.

Resolved, That the Executive Board be requested to fix the amount to be raised by each church, and to make such efforts as may be deemed necessary during the year to secure the payments of the amounts assigned to each church.

On motion of J. H. Tucker, Sec. 3 of Art. 2 of the Constitution was expunged.

The committee appointed to consider the necessary changes to be made in the Constitution, submitted their report offering an amendment to the 5th Article, which was unanimously adopted. (See 5th Article in the Constitution as amended.)

The report of the Committee on Education was presented by Rev. J. L. White.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We are glad to see a more general interest in education. This is propitious, since along with Christian education, all other interests of Christ's kingdom, advances.

The importance of denominational schools cannot be overrated. The Bible has been driven from the graded schools of our towns, and only in denominational schools can we hope to find the Word of God taught and revered. Only in denominational schools will we find Christian teachers to whom we can commit the training of our sons and daughters. We most earnestly urge our people to send their sons and daughters to Baptist institutions of learning.

The hope, educationally, of our country is a school or schools of high grade in every county. So we congratulate the Buncombe County Association upon the wise step it has taken during the present session of this body in accepting the property and assuming the control of the institution at Fairview. This is surely an earnest of better days. This school is now the only one strictly

Baptist in this county and our brethren should rally to its support.

We take pleasure in mentioning Judson College, which is now under your management. Bro. Jesse R. Starnes, of Asheville, N. C., is its President. He has gathered around him a competent faculty, and the Institution offers splendid advantages to young men and women. Mars Hill College has been exceedingly prosperous during the last year. President Hufham is a teacher of fine ability and should be heartily supported by the people of our Convention.

Wake Forest College stands in the forefront of educational progress. This great denominational institution belongs to the Baptists of the whole State. Its endowment has enabled it to offer very superior advantages. We most heartily commend it to our people and advise our young men who may seek higher training than our schools afford, to attend Wake Forest College.

J. L. WHITE,
J. W. STARNES,
T. J. BROCK,
Committee.

Addresses were made by Jesse R. Starnes, President of Judson College, Rev. A. E. Brown and Rev. T. M. Honeycutt.

The report was adopted.

On motion of Rev. A. E. Brown, speeches were limited as follows: Chairmen of reports, 15 minutes; all others, 8 minutes.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was read by Rev. A. E. Brown.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Public sentiment is gradually awakening to the fact that intemperance is the greatest evil of the age, corrupting the morals, impoverishing the country, increasing crime, destroying the happiness of individuals and families, filling our jails and packing hell with its thousands of victims annually. The rum power has enthroned itself as the political dictator and has sought and obtained control of the ballot box, and is thwarting all efforts of good people for good government. The people of our nation are spending annually $1,200,000,000 for strong drink, which is more than is spent for education, for religious purposes, for internal improvements by the gov-

ernment, and for breadstuffs. The rum power is the greatest antagonist the gospel has in all this broad land of ours. Our Baptist forefathers sacrificed their lives and property, not only for religious, but for political liberty, and committed the preservation of it to us, and shall we prove ourselves unfaithful to the trust?

In view of these facts we recommend our churches to encourage the teaching of temperance in their Sunday schools, and that they devote fifteen minutes to a Bible reading and family instruction upon the subject every month.

Respectfully submitted.

A. E. BROWN,
W. D. JUSTICE,
Committee.

Remarks were made on the report by Rev. A. E. Brown, Dr. J. A. Reagan, G. H. Burnham, W. D. Justice, Rev. D. B. Nelson, Rev. J. L. White and Rev. T. M. Honeycutt.

Adopted the report.

At 11 a. m. Rev. J. L. White preached to a very large and attentive congregation, from the text, "If ye love Me keep My commandments." John 14:15. Prayer at close of sermon by Rev. D. B. Nelson. At the suggestion of Bro. John P. Morgan, took a collection for the Baptist Orphanage, amounting to $10.

Sang "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," and adjourned one hour, after benediction by Rev. J. H. Weaver, D. D.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association re-assembled at 1 o'clock. Called to order by the Moderator.

The clerk called the roll of delegates and erased the name of those who did not attend.

The report of the Committee on Periodicals was read by Rev. D. B. Nelson.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee beg leave to say that one of the great needs of our people is more religious reading. Many of our homes are destitute of our denominational organ, the Asheville Baptist, edited and published in Asheville by Rev. J. A. Speight, at one dollar and fifty cents per annum.

We recommend this paper to the homes and confidence of our members. We also recommend the organ of our Baptist Orphanage, at Thomasville, N. C., Charity and Children, at one dollar per year, also the Home Field, published by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, at Atlanta, Ga., price twenty-five cents yearly, also the Foreign Mission Journal, at 50 cts. per year for single subscriptions, or 35 cts. in clubs, at Richmond, Va.

For our Sunday Schools we recommend the Conventional series, published by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention at Nashville, Tenn., and also the Sunday School helps published by the American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

D. B. NELSON,
G. H. BURNHAM,
Committee.

After an address on the report by Rev. J. W. Anderson it was agreed to amend the report by saying that we will do all we can this year for the Asheville Baptist, in soliciting subscribers.

Report adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was presented by the chairman, J. H. Tucker, and after addresses by Rev. D. B. Nelson and James Cowan, was adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

The Sunday School work is one of great power. The church that loses its influence is sheared of an auxiliary that cannot be supplied from any other source. The wise pastor who desires to do the most good for the Master's cause will organize and prosecute this branch of his work with all the vigor and zeal of his soul. Upon this work depends the future of his church. Its spirituality is measured in a great degree by the activity of the Sunday School. But it is not a work devolving solely upon the pastor, it is one that should enlist the heartiest support and most earnest effort of every church member. Pastor, member, take some part in your Sunday School; lead it, teach it or learn in it. You may not be able to lead it—then teach it, and if you cannot teach it, sit at its feet and learn the blessed truths there taught. A child is not too young for Sunday School when he can be taught that Jesus died to save sinners, and he is not

too old as long as he can love and appreciate the story of the Cross. Neglect this work and you say to your child and to your neighbor's child, and to the world that they are lost, and that you are indifferent to their salvation. "Teach them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded," is the Master's injunction, and binding upon the pulpit and the pew.

But there has been a sad, a woeful neglect of duty among us in this line of work. Our church letters show a church membership of nearly 3,000 and a Sunday School membership of less than 2,000 in the Buncombe County Association. Brethren, where are the 3,000 church members that they are not in Sunday School? And where are their children? And where are their friends? Oh! for the power of the Holy Spirit to awaken us from our sleep and to arouse us to a sense of our duty and the obligations that are upon us. Oh, brethren, and sons of God, heed the loving appeal, that you cease not your Sunday School efforts as long as there shall remain a soul unsaved in the Buncombe County Association.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. TUCKER,
R. E. L. CAMPBELL,
R. F. DRUMMOND,

The report on the Baptist Orphanage was read by Rev. W. T. Bradley, and on motion, adopted.

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

Your Committee on the Baptist Orphanage, at Thomasville, N. C., submit he following report:

The Orphanage is a home for the poor children of this country, and are to be fed, clothed and educated by the donations of the people. Our Saviour says "the poor you have with you always, and whensoever you will you may do them good."

Also the Apostle James says "pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their afflictions, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.'

Now, the way for us to do them good is to contribute of our means for their support, and while it is not convenient for many of us to visit them in person, we can visit them with our money and with our food and clothing. Also it is our duty to pray for them, and also to pray for the managers of this noble institution.

The Orphanage has under its shelter about 130 fatherless children.

During the past year this institution has not received the financial aid that it needed. The cry of hard times has drowned the cry of the orphan. Brethren, this ought not so to be. Let each pastor give his church and Sunday School an opportuity to contribute to this institution.

W. T. BRADLEY,
J. N. MORGAN,
J. W. ANDERSON,
Committee.

The report on the State of the Churches was read by Rev. Thos. J. Brock and on motion adopted as follows:

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

We are glad to note the fact that in some of our churches there has been a forward movement in almost every line of work. Some of our churches, however, seem to be retrograding, to say the best of them, they are making no progress.

Some of our churches have enjoyed gracious refreshings from the Lord and have had many added to their number, while others have had no revival during the associational year.

Many, if not all our churches, fail to make a diligent use of the means of grace within their reach. Bible reading and study is too sadly neglected. Indeed, in some, if not in many homes, the Bible is a stranger. We, therefore urge our pastors to encourage Bible reading and study among their people; for in order to do duty, people must know duty.

We are glad to notice that our churches are giving more attention to scriptural church discipline. Especially to the formative kind, which rarely fails to obviate the necessity of the corrective kind.

The spirit of Missions, we are glad to say is becoming more generally enthused among our people.

Some of our pastors talk Missions more, pray for Missions more, and preach Missions more than formerly.

Many of the churches are being better organized for this work. Some of them have Mission Societies, which are doing well. Others have what is called a Mission Committee whose business it is to collect. This plan is also a success.

One marked feature of our progress is the fact that

many churches are making repairs, and others building new and commodious houses of worship.

Vernon Hill erected a nice house of worship which will be worth when completed $1,000.

Concord, a church which was for many years, in a state of lethargy has been resurrected and most of the building materials gotten out for a new house. This house also to be worth $800 or $1,000.

Cane Creek, at Fairview, is now laying the foundation for a large and commodious house of worship. Others about to build.

THOS. J. BROCK,
W. S. ROBERTS,
J. H. WOODWARD,
Committee.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

The last meeting of this body, which was held with the church at Beaverdam, was a most profitable and happy one from the 11th to the 13th of August, 1891.

Since our adjournment from that place four churches have been constituted; one near Sulphur Springs, called Sulphur Springs Baptist Church; one in Chunn's Cove, called Mt. Olive; one on North Turkey Creek, called Highland; one near Fairview, called Pleasant Grove.

Vernon has built a splendid new house.

The Baptists have purchased the College at Fairview and it becomes the property of this Association.

The First Church at Asheville have completed their new house of worship at a cost, lot included, of $46,000, and are worshiping in it. Several months ago Rev. W. A. Nelson resigned the care of this congregation on account of declining health, and Rev. J. L. White, then of Durham, in the State Convention, was called. His occupancy of the pastorate of that congregatien brings to our Association an able preacher and a consecrated man of God.

The Fifth Sunday meetings are doing much good for the cause of Christianity in our midst.

JOHN W. STARNES, Historian.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

		Dr.
Aug. 6, 1891,	Balance as per last report,	$40 19
" 31,	Collection union meeting at Berea,	4 50
April, 1892,	Cash, Beaverdam, - -	4 00
"	" Mt. Carmel, - -	6 00
" 6,	" Vernon Hill, - -	1 60
May 30,	" Hominy, - -	10 25
" 28,	" Bent Creek, - -	5 75
Aug. 1,	" Cane Creek, - -	6 21
"	" First Church, Asheville,	600 00
		$678 50
		666 25
Aug. 12,	By balance on hand, - -	$12 25

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Oct. 9, 1881.	Cash paid Clerk on minutes,	$6 25
Dec. 5,	County missionary, - -	25 00
July 1, 1892,	Printing programmes, - -	2 00
April 4,	County missionary, T. J. Brock,	11 00
"	Missionary order to J. R. Starnes,	6 00
May 30,	Missionary order to N. B. Creasman,	10 25
" 28,	Missionary order to N. B. Creasman,	5 75
Aug.	W. P. Southern, city missionary,	600 00
		$666 25

E. H. WRIGHT, Treasurer.

The following resolution by A. E. Brown was adopted:

Resolved, That we request of our churches a collection immediately for the purpose of liquidating the present indebtedness of our Executive Board. The report on time, place &c. presented by A. H. Pinkerton recommending the First Baptist church, Asheville as the place for our next meeting which was amended by striking out Asheville and inserting Cane Creek church at Fairview, N. C. and then report adopted.

TIME, PLACE AND ANNUAL SERMON.

Your Committee on time, place and annual sermon submit the following:

Time—Tuesday before the third Sunday in August at 11 a. m. 1893.

Place—Cane Creek Baptist Church, Fairview, N. C.

Introductory sermon by Rev. A. E. Brown. Alternate—Rev. W T. Bradley.

A. H. PINKERTON,
JOSEPH CORDELL,
J. MOONEY,
JAMES MOORE,
R. H. EMBLER,
Committee.

The Moderator announced the following Committees to prepare reports to be presented at the next Association.

On Foreign Missions—J. H. Tucker, Rev. S. J. Morgan and Jason Ashworth.

On Home and Conventional Missions—Revs. J. L. White, T. J. Brock and R. E. L. Campbell.

On Education—Rev. J. Q. Adams, Jesse R. Starnes and J. W. Nash.

On Temperance—Rev. D. B. Nelson, Rev. James Plemmons and W. D. Justice.

On Baptist Orphanage—Revs. A. E. Brown, W. P. Southern and J. E. Bassett.

On Sunday Schools—Jno. P. Morgan, G. H. Burnham and James H. Sams.

On the State of the Churches—Revs. W. T. Bradley, J. W. Anderson and P. P. Morgan.

On Periodicals—Rev. M. A. Jenkins, S. J. Ashworth and Frank P. Ingle.

On Associational Missions—Rev. W. P. Southern and A. H. Pinkerton.

On motion of Rev. J. Q. Adams it was ordered that no advertisements be placed on our minutes without the concurrence of the Executive Board.

The following resolution by Rev. J. L. White was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the brethren and sisters of Flat Creek Church and the citizens of the community for their cordial and hospitable entertainment, praying the blessings of God to rest upon them.

On motion it was ordered that the clerk superintend the printing and distributing of the minutes and that he be allowed the usual fee of ten dollars.

After a few timely remarks by Rev. J. L. White and the Moderator, sang "God be with you till we meet again" and adjourned to meet with Cane Creek church,

11 miles southeast of Asheville, with benediction by Rev. T. M. Honeycut.

Rev. Amos I. Justice, Moderator.
F. Marion Williams, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I—Name.

Section 1. This body shall be known as the "Buncombe County Baptist Association."

Article II.—Constituency.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for. Provided, however, That any church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Sec. 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor, and at least wo delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

Article III.—Officers.

Section 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

Article IV.—Object.

Section 1. It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the Western Baptist Convention, the cause of Home

Mission, Foreign Mission, Education, Sunday schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

ARTICLE V.—COMMITTEES AND TRUSTEES.

SECTION 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Associational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance and Sunday schools, and each committee shall submit a written report upon the subject assigned at the next annual Association.

SEC. 2. The Moderator shall also appoint a committee on the Order of Business, Finance, Time and Place and Annual sermon of the next Association and such other Committees as the Association may direct, which Committee shall report in writing on the subject assigned while the Association is in session.

SEC. 3 That the Association shall elect a board of Trustees consisting of fifteen members, one third of whom shall hold their office for one year; one third shall hold for two years, and one third for three years. That the first five members appointed on the list of Trustees are elected for one year, the second five for two years and the third five for three years. All vacancies occurring in said Board of Trustees by death, resignation or expiration of term shall be filled by re-election at the next annual Association. That said Board of Trustees so elected shall constitute the Board of Education of the Buncombe County Association, and shall be empowered to receive donations and hold property both real and personal for Educational purposes, to procure Charters of Educational institutions and to take all necessary legal action for the furtherance of education within the Association. Said Board shall further assume and take possession, control and supervision of all school property belonging to the Association shall establish schools and report their acts and recommendations to the meetings of the Annual Associations for ratification. Said Board shall have no power to purchase property and contract debts, but by the authority and consent of a two thirds vote of the Association in its annual meetings. The officers of said Board shall consist of a President, vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and an Executive Board whose duty shall be such as is common to such officers or such as shall be defined and designated by the Board for its government and

work, said Board shall fix the time and place of its annual meetings, but the President and Secretary and three members of the Board, may call a meeting at such time and place as they think best for the transaction of such business as may be necessary at the time.

ARTICLE VI.—EXECUTIVE BOARD.

SECTION 1. This body shall at each annual meeting appoint an Executive Board, consisting of three judicious and active brethren with the officers of the Association as ex-officio members, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of the Western Baptist Convention in supplying the destitution within our bounds.

ARTICLE VII.—CHURCH LETTERS.

SECTION 1. The church letter shall give the following information, to wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; name of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their postoffice; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members, time of prayer meeting, amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday school and Bible Missions, and if for any other object to be noted. Report of Sunday school to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and postoffice of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.—BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE IX.—MEETING

SECTION 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.—PRINTING.

SECTION 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of the Association are printed, a copy of this constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI.—Correspondence.

Section 1. This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII.—Faith.

Section 1. This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Sec. 2. As an abstract of Faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

Article XIII.—Amendment.

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

Financial Statistics.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Salary.	Incidental ch'rh. expenses.	Associational Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Conventional Missions	Church Building and Repairs.	Baptist Orphanage.	Value of church property.	Minsterial Education	Support of the Poor.	Minute Fund.	All other objects	Total money raised.
Asheville 1st Church	J. L. White	$2000 00	$570 40	$10 00	$567 06	.....	$4 80	$6899 03	190 41	50,000	.....	80 44	5 00	.....	10792 34
French Broad Ave. Asheville	J. Q. Adams	1500 00	860 00	5 00	15 27	18 59	.....	108 00	8 11	6,500	150 00	50 00	2 00	25 00	2871 97
Antioch	W. T. Bradley	60 00	25 00	.....	14 42	.....	7 00	.....	3 25	800	.....	.....	1 55	5 00	126 82
Bethel	James Plemmons	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	.....	.....	44	.....	40
Big Ivy	W. A. Robertson	60 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	800	.....	.....	1 00	.....	66 00
Berea	A. E. Brown	150 00	5 00	6 85	25 00	.....	.....	.....	4 60	1,800	.....	.....	1 00	.....	192 40
Beaver Dam	A. E. Brown	150 00	6 50	4 00	.....	9 00	15 78	.....	5 55	500	15 27	.....	1 00	.....	207 10
Bent Creek	James Plemmons	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	11 75
Black Mountain	B. B. Riddle	30 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	.....	.....	75	.....	40 75
Cane Creek	A. I. Justice	150 00	24 00	.....	14 52	11 00	.....	.....	2 67	800	.....	.....	2 00	.....	204 19
Concord	T. J Brock	.....	.....	10 51	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 51
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradley	60 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	9 00	.....	.....	800	.....	.....	1 30	.....	80 30
Fern Hill	M. A. Jenkins	555 00	34 00	14 85	50 00	.....	5 00	10 00	11 41	800	4 50	2 00	1 5	34 00	689 16
Gashe's Creek	J. W. Anderson	80 00	.....	.....	17 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	800	.....	.....	81	18 00	196 11
Hominy	R. A. Senteil	200 00	7 89		20 13	.....	24 35	3 28	.....	1,800	4 40	6 00	2 50		268 48
Highland	A. B. Hawkins	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 15	.....	76 15
Locust Grove	A. J. Sprinkle	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80	.....	80
Morgan Hill	S. J. Morgan	95 90	.....	8 00	15 00	.....	8 31	.....	.....	800	.....	.....	1 90	.....	129 11
Macedonia	M. S. Proffitt	79 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 80	300	.....	.....	70	.....	82 50
Mount Carmel	A. I Justice	75 00	.....	6 00	10 00	.....	3 38	.....	5 00	800	.....	.....	1 50	15 00	115 88
Mount Olive	Joseph Cordell	15 00	6 00	2 50	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 00
Pleasant Hill	J E Bassett	50 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	800	.....	.....	70	.....	54 70
Pleasant Grove	F. C. Hamrick	25 00	2 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	28 15
Oak Grove	M S Proffitt	40 00	.....	5 68	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55	.....	46 23
Sulphur Springs	Adam Bright	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 30	.....	41 30
Spring Mountain	F C. Hamrick	50 00	.....	4 60	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	400	.....	.....	40	.....	65 00
Trinity	T. J. Brock	50 00	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	125 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	.....	52 20
Vernon Hill	R. E. L. Campbell	47 00	.....	3 10	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	55 60
White Rock	E. J. Morgan	50 00	.....	6 27	6 28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	63 55
		5686 90	1590 94	122 86	882 48	44 34	552 82	7,145 31	628 00	69,625	174 17	148 44	34 00	107 00	16535 45

Church Statistics.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICE.	Churches Constituted.	Sabbath of Meeting.	Baptised.	Rec'd. by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Died.	Membership.
Asheville First Church	J. H. Tucker	Asheville, N. C	1829	Ev'ry	83	24	10	58	3	6	790
French Broad Ave., Asheville	M. J. Beck	" "	1887	Ev'ry	23	37	....	25	12	2	176
Antioch	T. J. Garrison	Democrat, "	1883	3	35	26	2	3	3	2	110
Bethel	B. F. Hays	Juno, "	1855	4	3	.....	..	10	....	..	40
Big Ivy	S. J. Carter	Democrat, "	1823	2	17	3	....	14	....	2	159
Berea	B. G. Shope	Riceville, "	1853	1&3	6	2	....	2	2	..	95
Beaver Dam	E. B. Stradley	Asheville, "	1885	4	4	6	1	3	....	2	39
Black Mountain	E. F. Littlejohn	Rockview, "	1883	4	4	.....	14	3	17	....	70
Bent Creek	M. R. Cagle	Inanda, "	1845	2	1	11	2	6	....		48
Cane Creek	M. O. Merrell	Fairview, "	1806	2&4	12	5	4	26	2	3	132
Concord	W. B. Merrell	Tweed, "	1883	2	3	35	8	.....	....	....	49
Flat Creek	J. H. Sams	Stocksville, "	1811	1	3	5	2	7	2	....	165
Fern Hill	Charles R. Whittaker	Biltmore, "	1889	Ev'ry		7	....	6	1	....	43
Gashe's Creek	R. C. Sales	Rest Haven, "	1856	2&4	2	1	1	.....	....	2	36
Hominy	Levi S. Clark	Candler, "	1812	1	5	5	1	2	....	2	107
Highland	J. A. Walker	Gudger'sMills "	1892	1	6	6	....	.....	....	....	33
Locust Grove	W. H. Chandler	Jupiter, "	1891	2	5	5	....	.....	....	....	39
Morgan Hill	F. M. Williams	Morgan Hill, "	1866	4	5	4	....	4	8	....	112
Mount Carmel	M. P. Duckett	Juno, "	1885	1	14	3	1	1	4	....	111
Macedonia	J. F. Hayes	Ownbey, "	1869	2	1	1	....	4	1	1	42
Mount Olive	J. H. Miller	Asheville, "	1892								
Oak Grove	Laurence Roberts	Jupiter, "				3	....	1	1	....	54
Pleasant Hill	S. B. Moore	Alexander, "	1879	2		1	1	.....	1	3	55
Pleasant Grove	W. H. Early	Fairview, "	1892	1	2	3	....	1	1	1	28
Spring Mountain	S. W. Guffey	" "	1889	3	11	2	1	2	1	1	49
Sulphur Springs	James Cowan	WestAsheville"	1892	.....	3	13					16
Trinity	W. M. Cook	Acton, "	1874	1	8	4	....	5	1	1	39
Vernon Hill	G. W. Ballard	Inanda, "	1882	1&3	6	3	1	8	1	1	35
White Rock	J. C. Bird	Glady, "	1878	4	.....	1	...	3	....	....	79
		Total			252	285	49	196	61	29	2892

Coopers not represented.

Sunday School Statistics.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Officers and Teachers.	Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Professions in Sunday School.	Paid for Ministerial Education.	Paid for S. S. Literature.	Class Collections.	Contingent Expenses.	Special Collections.	General Collections.	Paid for City Missionary.	Support of Poor.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.
Asheville First Church	D. T. Millard	29	300	173	....	12 15	194 72	657 19	223 87	12 15	.....	2 40		.....	.....
*West End	J. R. Patterson	20	467	201½	....	.....	.....	3 4 43	.....	2 3 00	697 17	.....	100 00	.....	.....
*Academy Hill	Geo. H. Burnham	6	150	87½	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	57 25	85 80	.....	.....	16 72	29 19
French Broad Ave., Asheville	H. J. Greenwell	14	155	69	8	5 00	32 00	.....	34 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Antioch	E. B. Goldsmith	4	80	50	12	.....	9 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Berea	W. D. Alison	6	45	35	....	.....	7 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beaver Dam	W. Haynes	5	50	35	2	.....	5 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 64	.....
Black Mountain	J. R. Baily	9	78	50	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cane Creek	A. H. Pinkerton	6	84	63	12	.....	18 00	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Concord	Erastus Owenby	7	60	50	....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Flat Creek	J. H. Sams	....	73	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fern Hill	A. S. Whittaker	4	54	36	3	.....	29 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gashe's Creek	M. L. Reed	4	80	50	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hominy	Judson E. Morgan	5	75	45	8	.....	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morgan Hill	T. C. Morgan	7	80	.....	5	.....	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Carmel	J. W. Nash	10	100	70	13	.....	10 21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Macedonia	T. M. Knight	5	70	30	....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Olive	B. A. Stewart	3	22	15	....	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill	A. E. Kuykendall	5	40	35	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove	W. H. Early	8	63	29	1	.....	2 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spring Mountain	W. M. Wright	7	49	25	2	.....	1 57	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Trinity	Samuel Miller	3	35	20	2	.....	3 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vernon Hill	R. E. L. Campbell	7	70	40	1	.....	7 77	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
White Rock	G. W. Peebles	7	60	45	....	.....	11 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Total	191	2259	1248	85	17 15	361 84	1011 62	265 67	322 40	772 97	2 40	100 00	42 36	29 19

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PROCEEDINGS.

FAIRVIEW, N. C., Tuesday, August 15, 1893.

The Buncombe County Baptist Association of North Carolina met in its twelfth annual session with the Cane Creek Church, at 11 a. m. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. A. E. Brown. The scripture lesson was the fifty second chapter of Isiah. Text 1st Chron 12:32. At the close of the sermon, prayer was offered by Rev. A. I. Justice. Song—"How firm a foundation &c." Rev. A. I. Justice delivered an address of welcome, after which the Association adjourned for one hour.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reassembled at 1 o'clock.

Song—"Come thou fount of every blessing."

Rev. J. L. White led in prayer.

The moderator, Rev. A. I. Justice, called the Association to order, and announced that Rev. A. E. Brown and Brother J. H. Tucker would act as reading clerks. Letters from the following churches were read and the names of their delegates were enrolled

Asheville First Church—Rev. J. L. White, pastor; W. P Southern, D. T. Millard, J R Patterson, J. H. Tucker, Rev J. A Speight, Jno. W. Starnes, E H. Wright Wm. Weaver, Terrell Justice, W. R. Patterson, G. H. Burnham, J Mooney, C. C Matthews, J. W. Anderson, J. E. Dickerson, J. G. Queen, J. D Brevard, W. D Justice, J. P. Morgan

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Avery's Creek—Rev. E. J Morgan, pastor; Jesse Ingram. V. J. Johnson. Gaston Ingram.

Berea—Rev. A. E. Brown, pastor; Rev. A. E. Brown, F. M. Shope, S L Allen, J. Corder, Judson Rice, William Stevenson

Beaver Dam—A. E Brown, pastor; S A. Jenkins, W. T. Bradley, J. H Stradley, P P Wolf.

Cane Creek—Rev A I Justice pastor; A. I. Justice, R. E L. Campbell P O Freeman, J A Wray, A. H. Pinkerton, Jason Ashworth, Leander Freeman, J. M. Laning, Johnson Ashworth.

Concord—Rev. R. E. L Campbell, pastor; F. P Whitaker, C. W. Laning

French Broad Avenue, Asheville—Rev. J. Q Adams, pastor; J. Q Adams, R F Drummond, Jesse R. Starnes, Jno L Carrol, A B. Justice, Wm. Ward.

Fern Hill—Rev. Millard Jerkins, pastor; Millard Jenkins, D B Nelson,

W. M. Murray, Dr. A. S. Whitaker.

Flat Creek—Rev. John Ammons, pastor; Jacob Almon, Z. B. Robertson, J. R. Taylor, J. H. Sams, J. L. Myers.

Gashe's Creek—Rev. W. M. Murry, pastor; T. J. Ingle, J. A. Sales, W. H. Sales, T. J. Brookshire, M. L. Reed.

Locust Grove—Rev. A. J. Sprinkle, pastor: B. F. Buckner, W. E. Blankenship, J. A. Grant, J. E. Chandler.

Macedonia—Rev. M. S. Proffit, pastor; Gideon Rymer, T. M. Knight, Eli Rymer, H. Brookshire.

Morgan Hill—Rev. S. J. Morgan, pastor; Rev. S. J. Morgan, Rev. W. T. Bradley, F. M. Williams, S. R. Williams, T. S. Dillingham, H. B. Miles.

Mount Carmel—Rev. T. J. Frisbee, pastor, J. W. Nash, M. Sluder, L. D. Brookshire, T. P. Brookshire, L. Plemmons, J. H. Miller.

Oak Grove—Rev. Alfred Bradley, pastor; R. L. McLain, L. W. Roberts, James Pickens.

Pleasant Hill—Rev M. L. Kuykendall, pastor; N. Howard, Lafayette Corn.

Spring Mountain—Rev. A. I. Justice, pastor: T. L. Guffey, W. M. Wright, Henry Wright.

Vernon Hill—Rev. James Plemons, pastor; G. W. Ballard, E. C. Brem.

Hominy –Rev R. A. Sentell pastor: Rev. S. C. Owen, A. F. Thompson, J J. Miller, J. H. Morgan, J. W. Green, J. W. Dryman, P. P. Morgan, M. H. Morgan.

Bent Creek—Rev. James Plemons, pastor, Thomas Stradley, J. L Buchanan. S. L. Morgan, L. W. Jagle.

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New Salem—Rev. W. M. Murray, pastor: Rev W. M. Murray.

NEWLY CONSTITUTED CHURCH.

West End Baptist Church, Asheville—Rev. W. P. Southern, pastor; W. E. Logan, Rev. W. P. Southern, T. G. Ramsay.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

On motion, the rules for electing the moderator were suspended, and Rev. A E Brown was elected by acclamation. O. F. Thompson was elected clerk, E B Stradley, treasurer; Rev. W. T. Bradley, historian.

The following order of business was adopted by the Association.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Meet at 9 o'clock a. m. Spend half hour in devotional exercises.
2. Read minutes of yesterday.
3. Call for correspondents and delegates to report.
4. Reports of Committee.
5. Intermission.
6. Meet at 1 o'clock p. m.
7. Adjourn at will.

Home and Conventional Missions were made the special order for half past ten o'clock a. m. Wednesday.

Dr Chas. E. Taylor, president, and Prof. Jno. F. Lannau of Wake Forest College, Rev. E. J. Edwards, of the Orphanage at Thomasville, Rev. D. A. Glenn of Hendersonville, N. C., Rev. J. C. Owen of Fairview, N C., accepted seats in the association upon invitation. Rev. W. M. Boring of the Methodist church. also accepted a seat with us.

A newly constituted church in Asheville, N. C., West End, applied for admission. It was received without reference because its organization was well known.

Upon request, the Macedonia church was granted a letter of dismissal, to join the New Found Association.

The consideration of the Orphanage was entered into in order that Rev. E. J. Edwards might have an opportunity to present the claims of that institution before departing to another association. In his address he gave a description of the farm, buildings and management of the Orphanage. For our encouragement to greater efforts, he referred us to a number of men and women who were educated at the Orphanage, and who are successful in different pursuits of life.

The report on education was made the special order for Wednesday at 1 o'clock p. m.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

On Finance—J. W. Nash, F. M. Williams, G. H. Burnham.

On time and place—H. B. Miles, J. . Miller, J. W. Anderson.

On Religious exercises—The pastor and deacons of Cane Creek church, F. M. Williams, Wm. Weaver.

On motion a new committee on Temperance was appointed by the moderator in the absence of those appointed last year; Rev. E. J. Morgan, Rev. J. Q. Adams, George Ballard.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY NIGHT.

At 8 o'clock p. m., a large crowd assembled to hear Dr C. E. Taylor, President of Wake Forest college, preach on "Faith" It was a clear presentation of the truth in a manner which made it one of the best features of the association and placed all in a humor to do more faithful work.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 16.

The association reassembled at 9 o'clock; Rev. S. J. Morgan led the devotional exercises. The minutes of previous day were read, corrected and approved.

Lemuel Ingle delegate from Reems Creek church was asked to a seat with us, but the letter from his church had not arrived.

The committee on Sunday-schools reported. Bro. John P. Morgan read the report which was adopted after the discussion by Brethren, G. H Burnham, Wm. Ward, Jno. P. Morgan, and J. C. C. Dunford.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The Sunday-school work is the work of the church and every member should feel a responsibility resting upon him to work in the Sunday-school. In Deuteronomy 31:12, God says, "Gather the people together, men, and women, and children, and thy stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the Lord, your God." This was fourteen hundred and fifty one years before Christ; and when he came, he stood up and taught the people in the synagogue on the Sabbath day. So we are satisfied that the Sunday-school is of divine origin, and that the Sunday-school work is a work of the church. Paul says in writing to the church, Romans 22:4, "For as we have many members in one body and all members have not the same office; so we being many, are one body in Christ, and every on memebers one of another." So we are one great brotherhood and each one should feel that he has a work to do.

The conversion of the world depends upon the churches, God has given us the gospel and we must give it to others. The object of the Sunday school is to convert the people by giving them the gospel.

There is not as much interest manifested in the Sunday school work in this association as there ought to be. A few years ago, a Preacher's Institute was organized to meet on Friday before each fifth Sunday. It was very well attended the first few times, but we are sorry to say that within the

past two years it has almost been a failure. The same may be said of the Saturday and Sunday meetings of the Institute.

The Mission Board of the Western Baptist Convention appointed Rev. D. B Nelson to hold Normal Institutes and that brother has held several with good results. We need something of that kind in this country, in order that we may be better prepared to teach. We need more faithfulness, more consecration, more earnest prayer, and to do more mission work in our Sunday schools. We should gather up the poor children and bring them into the Sunday school. Brethren, let us all attend our fifth Sunday meetings and be more faithful in the future than we have ever been. Let us try to create a greater interest in the Sunday school work.

We recommend the literature published by the American Baptist Publication Society, and that published at Nashville, Tennessee.

J. P. Morgan,
G. H. Burnham,
Committee.

Home and conventional missions being the special order of the hour, the report was read by Rev. J. L. White. Appropriate addresses were delivered by Rev. J. L. White, and Jno. P. Morgan. The report was adopted after a collection was taken to the amount of $15.

REPORT ON HOME AND CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

The Home Board, located at Atlanta, Ga., is doing great work for Southern Baptist, as shown by the following statistics:

Missionaries employed,	386
Baptisms,	5 11
Received by letter,	4493
Total additions	9.604
Churches constituted,	155
Houses of worship,	92
Sunday schools organized	412

The strength of the Southern Baptist churches has been greatly augmented by this Board. Its progressive spirit encourages us to believe that our Baptist principles will continue to predominate in the South and that great influx of population pouring in upon us will receive the gospel of Christ. We should heartily support this Board.

The work of the Mission Board of our convention is most encouraging. There are now in the field seven missionaries and colporteurs. Rev. W. M. Jamison is doing a gracious work in Madison and Yancey counties; Rev. J. W. Briggs is colporteur in Yancey county; Rev. A. C. Pittman is also missionary in Madison and Yancey counties; Rev. F. M. Jordan is pushing the work in Transylvania county; Rev. G. A. Bartlett in Macon; Rev. W. P. Southern in Asheville. Rev. S. H. Harrington is located in Murphy, a growing town at the terminus of the Murphy Branch of the R. & D. Railroad. He has been in this place a little over one year. During this time a church has been constituted, a good number have been added to the membership and a new house of worship is nearly completed at a cost of two thousand dollars. Besides the church house at Murphy, there are new houses of worship being erected at Sylva, Dillsboro, Reems Creek, Avery's Creek, Sulphur Springs and Fairview.

The colporteurs have found a great many homes without a Bible and have supplied them. These servants of the Lord have not only left Bibles in these homes, but have led many of them to Christ our Lord.

The Board, for the first time in years, is out of debt and will report no debt at the Convention in October. Too much cannot be said in praise of our self-sacrificing Cor. Sec., Bro. J. P. Morgan, to whom the prosperity of our work is due. He has traveled from church to church, from house to house and from county to county, through hot and cold weather. Such a faithful servant of the Master should receive praise while he works and lives among us.

Notwithstanding the hopeful outlook, the work is just begun. This is a great country. Better than all, it belongs to the Baptists. We must keep possession of it. To do this, there must be seven times seven missionaries within the bounds of this Convention. We must occupy the villages along our railroads, for these are the centres of influence. Not only so, but every growing community should be possessed at once, that we may grow with their prosperity.

Your committee cannot close this report without suggesting that our Board as soon as practicable to locate missionaries among the Cherokee Indians. It is no credit to our Christianity

and civilization that these our brothers in red numbering 1500 without a missionary should live as our next door neighbors without the gospel of our dear Lord

Brethren, thanking God for the blessings which have attended our labors, let us hear his voice bidding us "Go forward."

J. L. White,
R. E. L. Campbell.
Committee.

The report on Periodicals was read by Rev. J. A. Speight, after remarks by Rev. J. A. Speight in the interest of the Asheville Baptist, Rev. E. J. Edwards in the interest of "Charity and Children," and Rev J. L. White, the report was adopted.

THE REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee feel deeply the importance of a sound and healthful religious literature. The people are reading to an extent never before experienced, and the young are clamoring for something to read which is often of a vicious character. We commend to every Baptist home the Asheville Baptist. The editor will explain some plans to improve the paper, and also reduce the price of it to one dollar per year. We would commend Sunday School periodicals published by the Baptist both at Nashville Tennessee, and Philadelphia, Pa. We also commend Charity and Children, the Orphanage paper.

Rev Millard Jenkins,
S. J. Ashworth,
Frank J. Ingle.
Committee.

Adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

On motion, Brethren Stewart, of Mt. Olive church, and Ballard, of Vernon Hill, were given leave of absence.

COMMITTEES FOR NEXT SESSION.

The Moderater announced the following committees to present reports at the next annual session of this Association:

On Foreign Missions—Rev. J. L. White. Dr. A. S. Whitaker, Prof. A. B. Justice.

On Home and Conventional Missions—J. H. Tucker, F. M. Williams, Jason Ashworth.

On Education—Rev. A. I. Justice, J. W. Nash, S. J. Morgan.

On Temperance—W. P. Southern. W. M. Murray, Terrel Justice.

On Baptist Orphanage—J. D. Brevard, T. J. Ingle, W. R. Patterson.

On Sunday-Schools—Dr. J. A. Speight, Rev. Millard Jenkins, E. H. Wright.

On State of the Churches—S. J. Morgan, Jno. P. Morgan, O. F. Thompson.

On Periodicals—Rev. E. J. Morgan, J. H. Miller, G. H. Burnham.

On Associational Mission—Rev. Millard Jenkins, S. P. Davis, Rev. W. T. Bradley.

The report on education was read by Rev. J. Q. Adams and was adopted after addresses from Dr. Chas. E. Taylor, President, and Prof. Jno. F. Lanier, of Wake Forest College, and Prof. A. B. Justice, of Fair View Institute.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Education is the proper development of man's powers, physical, intellectual and moral. It is no wonder then that Christianity is its fast friend and firm supporter; for it is the mission of Christianity to make a man the highest order of being of which he is capable—to draw out and develop all the powers with which God has endowed him. To provide and to avail ourselves of the best facilities of education for ourselves and for our children is a solemn religious duty, and we would suggest that all of our pastors be requested to preach to their people, at least once a year, on this important subject.

Your Committee desires to commend, first of all, the Fair View Collegiate Institute, which is owned and controlled by this Association. Prof. A. B. Justice is the Principal, and with other able assistants, this school is prepared to give instruction in all studies usually taught in preparatory schools of a high grade.

We would recommend also the Mars Hill College as a most excellent preparatory school. This is an old and well established school, and we cannot speak in too high praise of the noble work which it has done for the youth in the community where it is located.

Judson College is still owned by brethren Jesse R. Starnes and Jas M. Brookshire, but your committee has no information as to the plans of these brethren for the future conduct of this institution of learning.

To those who wish to pursue a more advanced course of study than is taught in either of these schools, we would recommend Wake Forest College as holding a place in the very fore-front of denominational Colleges. This great institution belongs to the Baptists of the whole State, and we are justly proud of its past history and of the superior advantages which it is now prepared to offer our young men who are seeking a thorough collegiate education.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Q. Adams, }
J. W. Nash, } Committee.

Rev. E. J. Morgan read the report on Temperance which was discussed by Wm. Ward and Rev. J. Q Adams. It was then adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

"Be temperate in all things," is the language of inspiration. Temperance is the law of life, the condition of health, wealth, usefulness

and happiness. On the other hand, *intemperance* is the road to physical, mental and moral ruin. Jesus says, "watch," and there is great need of heeding this divine injunction; for we are in danger of falling into this sin in ten thousand ways—in handling things useful and following the legitimate pursuits of life. But there are some few evils which have become so formidable, and have assumed such proportions, as to demand special attention.

We call attention first, to the increasing and almost universal use of tobacco. The cigarette habit among minors itself is sufficient to cause alarm. Our best physicians tell us that it is a poison which impedes digestion, wrecks the nerves, and is a foe to physical, moral, and mental vigor. It ought to be frowned down by the Church of the Lord Jesus.

Secondly, we cite you to the drink habit, or liquor traffic, which is a foe to our civilization—a very great hindrance to National prosperity—the foul destroyer of domestic happiness. In fact, it is the modern Goliath who stands and bids defiance to the armies of the living God.

We recommend that every possible effort be put forth for the distruction of this dire monster by our authorities, both civil and ecclesiastical.

REV. E. J. MORGAN,
REV. J. Q. ADAMS,
GEORGE BALLARD,
} Committee.

The Committee on the orphanage made their report. It was discussed by Rev. E. J. Morgan, Rev. J. A. Speight, Bro. J. W. Nash, and Rev. A. I. Justice. A collection to the amount of $3 86 was taken and the report adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Charity is a part of our religion, and in no way can it be more profitably exercised by us than in the case of the unfortunate children of our country. Our institution at Thomasville, founded for this purpose, appeals to us for especial consideration since we have more children there than any other county. But we are pained to notice that the contributions from our churches have fallen off during the last year. Your committee is convinced that the confidence which has been somewhat shaken, should be restored, and that our contributions should be increased. Let every pastor present pledge himself to give his people an opportunity to contribute to this great object, at least once a year.

A. E. BROWN,
W. P. SOUTHERN,
} Committee.

On motion the Clerk was ordered to make new blanks for a church letter and send them out to the churches.

COMMITTEES.

The Chair appointed the following committees:

To NOMINATE AN EXECUTIVE BOARD—Rev S. J. Morgan, Bro. A. I. Justice and Rev. Millard Jenkins.

To Nominate Trustees for Fairview Institute—J. W. Nash, W. P. Southern, and E. J. Morgan.

Adjourned to meet Thursday morning at 9 o'clock.

AT NIGHT.

At 8 o'clock p. m. Rev. J. L. White preached a sermon of great power to a large audience. His subject was "Love," and two conversions was the result of this meeting.

Thursday, August 17.

The Association reassembled at 9 o'clock a. m. Rev. D. A. Glenn led the devotional exercises.

The minutes of preceding day were read, corrected and approved.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF FAIRVIEW INSTITUTE.

The Board of Trustees of Fairview Institute make the following report:

1st. That the property has been legally transferred to the Buncombe County Baptist Association.

2d. That said Association has been made a corporate body by the legislature of North Carolina. It is therefore empowered to own and control the properly.

3 l. We have succeeded in getting nearly enough subscriptions to pay the indebtedness on said property in proper shape to collect. But we find it necessary for the Associatioh to raise from $800 to $1,000 to relieve the brethren who guaranteed $600 for the Association, and $106 to pay for repairs and insurance last year, and other expenses that will have to be met this year. We would ask you to raise at least half of said amount during this year. The other half we will need during the first part of next year.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Ashworth, Chairman.

NEW TRUSTEES OF FAIRVIEW INSTITUTE.

Your committee to nominate a Board of Trustees for Fairview Institute, submit the following names: Jason Ashworth, Charles Whitaker, Jno. A. Brookshire, J. A Stradley, T. J. Reed and Frank P. Ingle.

E. J. Morgan,
J. Q. Adams, } Committee.
J. W. Nash,

This report was adopted.

On motion the Association appointed Rev. A I Justice, Rev. A. E. Brown, and Rev. E. J. Morgan a committee to collect funds called for in the report of the Trustees of Fairview Institute.

The following resolution was introdueed by Rev. J. L. White and was adopted:

Resolved, That this Association become responsible for the support of three ministerial students at Fairview Institute for the next session of ten months.

That these brethren be selected by the Board of Trustees of said Institute.

That said Board fix the amonnt that shall be given each,

Pledges were taken to the amount of about $200 for the purpose expressed in the above resolution.

The report on the state of the Churches was made by Rev. W. L. Bradley, and adopted by the Association.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

Within the past year there have been revivals in almost all of the churches. On examining the letters to the Association, we find that nearly three hundred have been added by baptism. The contributions for Home and Foreign Missions have not been as large as they should have been, but nearly all of the churches have given something. Some of them have given liberally. Nearly all the churches report good Sunday-schools. One thing, however, is to be regretted; that so many church members take little or no interest in Sunday-schools. Parents send their children, but stay at home themselves. This ought not to be. But we have great reasons why we should be thankful for what is being done in this part of the Lord's vineyard. Let us, therefore, thank God and take courage.

W. T. BRADLEY, }
J. W. ANDERSON } Committee.

The committee on Associational Missions reported through Rev. W. P. Southern. The report was adopted after an address by Rev. A. I. Justice.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Your committee is informed by the Executive Board that at the beginning of the year they found themselves in debt. This embarrassment and the scarcity of mony in circulation, was considered a sufficient reason for not putting a missionary in the field. We have, therefore, no item of work to report to this body, except that which has been done by the churches. The churches at Fern Hill and Berea have been employing Rev. J. C. Owen to do work in the Swannanoa Valley, with good results as shown by theirletters. The First Church in Asheville and the church at Beaver Dam have also done mission work. Under the stimulus of the latter, a new house of worship is being erected at Reems' Creek. We recommend

1st. That more of our churches follow the example of the above mentioned in doing missionary work in their vicinities.

2d. That a missionary be appointed for at least half his time to labor in the North-western part of our county.

W. P. SOUTHERN, }
A. H. PINKERTON } Committee.

The following report of the committee on time and place was offered:

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

Your committee on Time and Place recommend Tuesday before the third Sunday in Augnst, 1894, as the time, and Antioch the place.

We suggest the name of Rev. Millard Jenkins to preach the introductory sermon, with Rev. S. J. Morgan alternate.

J. W. Anderson,
H. B. Miles,
J. J. Miller, } Committee.

This report was amended by striking out "Antioch" and inserting "Fern Hill, at Biltmore," after which the report was adopted.

The committee to nominate an Executive Board reported as follows:

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Your committee suggest the names, J. W. Nash, J. H. Heath and J. W. Starnes.

S. J. Morgan,
A. I. Justice,
Millard Jenkins, } Com.

The report was adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by Bro. J. H. Tucker. Addresses were delivered by Bro. J. H. Tucker, Rev. J. Q. Adams, Rev. E. J. Morgan, Rev. A. I. Justice and Bro. G. H. Burnham. The report was adopted.

THE REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"Go teach all nations" is the command of our Lord and Master. For 1900 years his followers have been trifling with the sanctity of this divine command. Even now, when the true spirit of missions is breaking over Christendom like the flooding light of the morning's sun, some are standing in willing darkness, not heeding the truth nor caring for the condition of those for whom Christ died. "There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." 900,000,000 of souls have never heard of the blessed Redeemer. 24,000,000 of these die every year, or one every second; so that every time the pendulum of your clock measures off a second of time, one heathen soul must appear before the judgment bar to receive the awful sentence, "Depart, I never knew you." When the Savior left this world, in solemn trust and confidence, he imposed upon his Church the honored duty of carrying his gospel to every creature. His followers have received this command only as a duty and not as a blessed privilege that honors the obedient. But let us thank God the morning light is breaking upon his people, and may we indulge the hope that Christ will soon possess the heathen for an inheritance and then "God shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall praise him."

This has been a year of unusual activity in missions. All evangelical denominations have lengthened their chords and strengthened their stakes. Especially is this true of the Baptists of the world.—Awakening to a true sense of our relation to the heathen world and impelled by the inspiration of the centennial year of missions our Southern Baptist Convention has undertaken to send out 100 new missionaries and to raise $250,000. The interest our women have taken in missions has given the cause a new impetus. They raised $36,000 last year for Foreign Missions, increasing their collections more than $11,000. Woman was the last at the cross and first at the grave.

It is but fitting for woman to take the lead in sending the blessed truth to the benighted. Brethren, let the Buncombe county Association do its part in this glorious work.

We regret that there is some friction between some of our foreign missionaries and the Foreign Mission Board. This, we pray, may be reconciled. The Board is composed of wise and efficient members, who deserve our endorsement, our sympathy and our prayers. We must stand by our Board. Disorganization means disintegration and disintegration means failure in missions.

The Baptist of North Carolina and of the Southern Baptist Convention have made progress all along the lines of missions this year. Our own Association, shame upon us! has decreased its foreign mission collections nearly $200. Nineteen of our churches have not contributed one cent to foreign missions during the year. Shall this continue?

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That each church within the bounds of this Association take at least one collection for Foreign Missions during the present year.

2. That we urge the pastors of the association to organize a Woman's Missionary Society in every church.

3. That we heartily endorse our Foreign Board at Richmond, and reaffirm our faith and confidence in the wisdom of its members, and we recommend the co-operation of our churches with the Board.

4. We believe the cause of missions among our churches will be stimulated if the members are made to feel that they are responsible for the support of some individual missionary; therefore we recommend that the Association support two foreign missionaries for the present year, and in case we fail to adopt the missionaries. that we undertake to raise $1200 for foreign missions during the next year and forward the same to the Foreign Mission Board.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. TUCKER,
S. J. MORGAN,
JASON ASHWORTH, } Com.

On motion the Clerk was ordered to superintend the printing of the Minutes and that he be paid $10 for the same.

On motion the Moderator appointed any member who may attend any Sister association, a messenger to the same.

On motion delegates to the Western Baptist Convention were appointed by the Moderator as follows: S. F. Moore, W. L. Kuykendall, Hiram Rich, J. M. Davis, Thomas Guffy and N. Howard.

The following resolution was adopted by the Association:

Resolved, that our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the brethren and sisters of Cane Creek Church and the citizens of the community for their cordial and hospitable entertainment, praying the blessings of God to rest upon them.

The following report of the Treasurer was adopted:

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING AUGUST FIFTEENTH, 1893.

E. B. STRADLEY, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH BUNCOMBE CO. BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1892. Aug. 19.	To balance on hand	$ 12	25
" 19.	To Morgan Hill church	5	14
" 19.	To French Broad Avenue church	37	10
" 23.	To Antioch church		51
Sep. 15.	To Fern Hill church	15	60
" 23.	To Bent Creek church	2	50
Oct. 14.	To Mt. Carmel Church	5	00
" 28.	To Spring Mountain church	1	00
Nov 8.	To Hominy church	3	12
" 28.	To Berea church	3	00
Dec. 13.	To Cane Creek church	5	00
1893 Mar. 10.	To Beaver Dam	10	62
Total		$100	84

DISBURSEMENTS.

T. J. Brock, pd. to Creasman	$ 24	75
T. J. Brock, pd. to J. R. Starnes	62	10
Postage		26
Balance on hand	13	73
Total	$100	84

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. STRADLEY, Treasurer.

Short talks were made by Rev. J. Q. Adams, Rev. W. T. Bradley, Rev. J. W. Anderson, Bro. J. H. Tucker, Rev. D. A. Glenn, and Rev. J. L. White.

The Association then adjourned to meet with Fern Hill church at Biltmore, N. C., on Tuesday before the 3d Sunday in August, 1894, at 11 o'clock a. m.

O. F. THOMPSON, Clerk. REV. A. E. BROWN, Moderator.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICE OF CLERK.	Churches Constituted	Sabbath of Meeting.	Baptized	Received by Letter.	Restored	Dismissed	Excluded	Died	Membership
Asheville, Ist Church	J. H. Tucker	Asheville, N. C.	1829	Every	93	15	.....	111	17	6	813
" Fr. Broad Ave.	M. J. Beck	Asheville, N C.	1887	"	9	15	2	12	9	3	177
Antioch	T. J. Garrison	Democrat, N. C.	1883	3	6	5	.....	3	7	1	140
Avery's Creek	Jesse Ingram	Avery's Creek, N, C.	.....	3	6	7	.....	1	3	.....	53
Berea	B G. Shope	Riceville, N. C.	1853	1 & 3	9	.....	.....	2	1	1	100
Beaverdam	E. P. Stradley	Asheville, N. C.	1885	2 & 4	11	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	51
Black Mountain	J. R. Bailey	Barnardsville, N. C.	1884	4	10	3	1	3	1	.....	80
Bear Creek	M. R. Cagle	Inanda, N. C.	1845	2	7	24	1	2	2	.....	81
Cane Creek	P. O. Merrel	Fairview, N. C.	1806	2 & 4	2	14	2	8	3	1	136
Concord	F. P. Whitaker	Tweed, N. C.	1892	1	.....	3	1	1	29	.....	31
Flat Creek	M. W. Harrison	.....	1811	1	.....	4	.....	4	27	1	127
Fern Hill	C. H. Whitaker	Biltmore, N. C.	1888	Every	4	8	.....	2	.....	4	49
Gashe's Creek	R. C. Sales	Rest Haven, N. C.	1856	2 & 4	29	4	3	2	4	1	115
Hominy	E. C. Morgan	Candler, N C.	1812	2 & 4	10	.....	.....	8	1	1	121
Highland	J. A. Walker	Gudger's Mills, N. C.	1892	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	40
Locust Grove	J. E. Chandler	Jupiter, N. C.	1891	2 & 4	17	7	.....	4	1	.....	58
Morgan Hill	F. M. Williams	Morgan Hill, N. C.	1866	4	21	6	3	4	.....	2	161
Mount Carmel	J. N. Hayes	Juno, N. C.	1885	1	1	6	1	10	.....	.....	108
Macedonia	H. Buckner	Owenby, N. C.	1869	2	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65
Mount Olive	J. H. Miller	Asheville, N. C.	1891	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21
Oak Grove	L. W. Roberts	Jupiter, N C.	.....	4	3	1	1	1	.....	1	43
Pleasant Hill	N. Howard	Alexander, N. C.	1879	2	11	4	.....	5	4	.....	61
Pleasant Grove	W. H. Earley	Fairview, N. C.	1891	1	25	4	.....	1	.....	.....	56
Spring Mountain	S. W. Guffey	Fairview, N. C.	1889	3	1	3	.....	4	5	.....	44
Sulphur Springs	James Cowan	West Asheville. N. C	1892	4	17	14	.....	1	4	.....	42
New Salem	Jas. W. Brown	Biltmore, N. C.	1882	4	4	2	.....	.....	.....	3	39
Vernon Hill	J. W. Ballard	Inanda, N. C.	1882	1 & 3	2	4	.....	4	1	.....	34
West End—Asheville	L. Price	Asheville, N C	1893	Every	3	8	.....	5	.....	.....	73
	Totals				321	162	16	198	119	25	2919

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The next session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association will be held with Antioch church, near Morgan Hill P. O., N. C., about fifteen miles north of Asheville, beginning on Tuesday at 11 o'clock a. m., before the third Sunday in August, 1895. Introductory sermon by Rev. A. I. Justice, alternate W. P. Southern

PROCEEDINGS.

BILTMORE, N. C., Aug. 14, 1894.—The Buncombe County Baptist Association of North Carolina met in its thirteenth annual session with the Fern Hill church at 11 a. m. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. S. Jones Morgan. He took for his text 1st Corinthians 3:9. The sermon was one of good thought and delivered in a way that would impress all of his earnestness and zeal in the Master's cause. At the close of the sermon Rev. G. L. Finch offered prayer. Song—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Rev. A. E. Brown, Moderator, called the Association to order. Bro. J. M. Stoner, of Asheville, was elected to act as temporary Clerk. Bros. J. H. Tucker and G. L. Finch were requested to act as reading clerks. Letters from the following churches were read and the names of their delegates were enrolled:

Asheville First Church—Rev. J. L. White, pastor, J. W. Anderson, W. P. Southern, Jno. P. Morgan, W. P. Whittington, L. B. McBrayer, Geo. H. Burnham, M. M. Lemmond, J. A. Porter, J. N. Morgan, W. D. Justice, John R. Rich, J. H. Tucker, R. J. Stokely, Wm. Weaver, J. M. Stoner, J. D. Brevard, Virge Hildebrand.

Asheville West End Church—W. P. Southern, pastor, T. L. Pennell, J. H. Sexton, Rev. J. K. Connally.

Antioch Church—Rev. W. T. Bradley, pastor, Rev. S. Jones Morgan, J. J. Greenwood, J. H. Woodward, J. W. Arrowood, P. M. Lovin.

Avery's Creek Church—Rev. E. J. Morgan, pastor, Robert Clayton, S. O. Ingram.

Beaverdam Church—Rev. A. E. Brown, pastor, J. T. Justice, C. S. Cooper, J. H Stradley, W. Haynes.

Big Ivy Church—B. B. Riddle, pastor, Robert Greenwood, G. H. Blankenship, J. V. Jay.

Bent Creek Church—James Plemmons, pastor. M. R. Cagle.

Beech Church—J. C. Cordell, pastor, L. D. Maney, T. B. Swan.

Beulah Church—J. P. Austin, pastor, J. M. Davis, J. A. Rogers.

Cane Creek Church—A. I. Justice, pastor, A. B. Justice, Jason Ashworth, J. F. Bland, M. A. Miller, H. Grant, S. J. Ashworth, A. W. Morgan.

Flat Creek Church—T. M. Honeycutt, pastor, W. S. Roberts, J. R. Taylor, N. M. Kilpatrick, J. H. Allman.

French Broad Avenue, Ashevillle—No pastor. M. J. Beck, William Ward.

Fern Hill Church—G. L. Finch, pastor, T. J. Reed, T. F. Creasman, C. R. Whitaker.

Gash's Creek Church—J. C. Owen, pastor, M. L. Reed, T. J. Ingle, J. A. Sales, V. G. Sorrels, J. M. Brookshire.

Hominy Church—E. J. Morgan, Pastor, S. C. Owen, E. L. Clark.

Locust Grove Church—A. J. Sprinkle, pastor, B. J. S. McLean, J. E. Chandler.

Mt. Olive Church—No pastor. R. A. Stewart, Alfred Stewart.

Morgan Hill Church—S. Jones Morgan, pastor,

W. T. Bradley, Jno. N. Bradley, J. E. Davis, O. T. Bell, F. M. Stockton, J. M. Burnett, J. N. Morgan, W. J. Goldsmith.

Mount Carmel Church—A. E. Brown, pastor, M. Sluder, L. Plemmons, D. E. Ramsey, R. M. Brookshire, F. Sluder.

New Salem Church—James Plemmons, pastor, F. M. Pressley.

Oak Grove Church—L. J. Bailey, pastor, Holden McLean, J. M. Pickens.

Pleasant Hill Church—J. E. Bassett, pastor, K. R. Lockhart, S. Moore.

Berea Church—W. M. Murray, pastor, W. M. Whisenhunt, James Cordell, Filmore Shope.

Sulphur Springs Church—M. Sluder, pastor, H. P. Rich, Geo. Spivy.

Spring Mountain Church—S. F. Moore, pastor, J. S. Wright, S. W. Guffy.

Trinity Church—M. Sluder, pastor, William Cook, S. F. Miller.

Vernon Hill Church—No pastor. E. C. Brown.

White Rock Church—L. Y. Israel, pastor, P. A. Smathers, G. W. Peebles.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

By motion Rev. A. E. Brown was elected Moderator. R. J. Stokely was elected Clerk, J. M. Stoner, Treasurer, and W. T. Bradley, Historian. The Association then adjourned one hour.

Association assembled at 2 o'clock p. m. and after song service, was led in prayer by Rev. S. C. Owen. The Moderator called the Association to order, and announced that the body was now ready for the transaction of business. The Beulah Baptist church asked to be admitted into this Association. A committee, composed of A. I. Justice, F. P. Ingle, and

S. C. Owen, was appointed to consider the application and report to the Association. This committee recommended the admission of Beulah Baptist church into this Association. By motion it was admitted. The following committees were appinted :

On Finance—M. L. Reed, E. L. Clark and J. T. Justice.

Time and Place—W. T. Bradley, P. A. Smathers and M. J. Beck.

Religious Exercises—W. S. Roberts, James Plemmons and pastor and deacons of Fern Hill church.

By motion of Rev. J. L. White, a committee was appointed to arrange an Order of Business for this meeting of the Association. J. H. Tucker, W. P. Southern and G. L. Finch were placed on this committee, which recommended the following Order of Business :

Meet at 9:30 a. m. Spend half an hour in devotional exercises. Wednesday, 10 o'clock a. m., report on Education. At 11 o'clock a. m. report on Foreign Missions. Adjourn for dinner.

At 2:30 p. m. report on Conventional Missions. Thursday, 10 o'clock a m., report on Orphanage. Thursday, 11 o'clock a. m., report on State of Churches. Thursday, 2:30 o'clock p. m., report on Temperance.

Report on Sunday Schools was made the special order for 3 o'clock p. m. today and that of Periodicals at 3:30 p. m. today. Revs. J. L. M. Curry and R. T. Bryan were welcomed to seats with us as visiting brethren. Sunday School report was called for, but not being ready, Rev. J. L. M. Curry gave us a very interesting and instructive talk on the subject of Sunday Schools. Rev. Mr. Jenkins, editor of the W. N. C. *Baptist*, made an earnest talk in behalf of his paper. Rev. J. L. White also spoke in its behalf. Rev. S. A. Chambers and son, G. Walter Chambers,

of Haywood County, were introduced and seated in the Association. By motion the report on Sunday Schools was postponed till tomorrow.

By motion the report on Periodicals was postponed. Rev. A. I. Justice was appointed to conduct the devotional exercises tomorow morning.

Adjourned to meet Wednesday morning at 9:30 a. m.

AT NIGHT

Rev. J. L. White preached a strong sermon. Subject, "A paying investment." Text, Luke 2:49.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 15, 1894.

The Association re-assembled at 9:30 a. m. Thirty minutes were spent in devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. A. I. Justice. Rev. A. E. Brown then called the Association to order.

The minutes of yesterday were then read and adopted. By motion the time was set for calling roll of delegates immediately after dinner. By motion Bro. L. H. Luther was allowed to represent the Highland Baptist church, same not being represented by letter.

Committe on Executive Board and Trustees were appointed, composed of the following brethren: W. Haynes, T. J. Reed and F. Sluder.

The committee on Education made the following report:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Next to giving them the Gospel, the greatest good we can do for the people is to put within their reach the facilities for education. Education, as we understand the term, as it is commonly used, means the development ot the mental and moral powers of man. Without the development of these powers, man is paralyzed so far as usefulness in this life is concerned.

To educate is a Christian duty, and of all people

in our State this duty rests most heavily on the Baptists. The masses belong to our churches or are under our influence, and a large portion of them are illiterate, and can never be to the church and to society what they ought to be until they are educated.

We ought to have schools under the management of our own denomination in which to educate our children, and Baptist people ought to patronize their own schools, when it is in their power to do so. Fair View Collegiate Institute closed on the 4th of May, the most prosperous year in its history, and the prospects for the coming year are better than ever before. Prof. A. B. Justice is still the Principal, and has associated with him an able corps of teachers. Brethren, this school is yours—it belongs to this body, and should have your patronage and support. The Board of Trustees has been under the necessity of incurring some expense in the way of making some repairs, and paying insurance, which has not yet been met. We would remind the brethren who have not paid their subscription to liquidate the debt which was on the property when it was turned over to us, that the time has almost expired in which they were to pay it. Let us rally to Fair View; it is the only school in our bounds under Baptist management which offers to us the advantage of higher education. Wake Forest college stands in the fore front among the colleges of our State, and to those who may desire the advantage of first-class college training, we would recommend this school above all others. Whereas Dr. C. E. Taylor has written a series of articles on "How far should a State undertake to educate?" which has been published in pamphlet form, and believing that these articles voice the sentiments of our people generally with regard to the matter discussed, we recommend that these pam-

phlets be circulated among the people as far as possible, and that this Association hereby heartily endorse the views expressed in the articles written by Dr. Taylor.

The Board of Education received from the churches and from individuals for ministerial education at Fair View, $ 104 75

Paid out to R. E. L. Campbell,	58 64
" " " J. C. Owen,	25 75
" " " J. R. Owen,	20 36

A. I. JUSTICE, S. J. MORGAN, } Com.

Brothers J. H. Tucker, A. I. Justice and J. L. White made strong speeches in favor of education. By motion the report on Education was adopted. At this point Rev. J. L. White asked the various churches to make pledges for ministerial education for the coming year, which resulted as follows:

1st church, Asheville,	$ 100 00
French Broad church,	25 00
Antioch church,	2 50
Big Ivy church,	2 50
Berea church,	5 00
Beaverdam church,	10 00
Bent Creek church,	5 00
Cane Creek church,	20 00
Flat Creek church,	5 00
Fern Hill church,	15 00
Gash's Creek church,	25 00
Hominy church,	10 00
Morgan Hill church,	5 00
Mt. Carmel church,	5 00
Mt. Olive church,	2 00
Pleasant Hill church,	1 00
Sulphur Springs church,	1 00
Spring Mountain church,	1 00

Trinity church,	1 00
White Rock church,	1 50
West End church, Asheville,	10 00
Salem church,	2 50
Avery's Creek church,	2 00
Beulah church,	1 00
Total amount of pledges,	$238 00

Rev. J. L. White made the following report on

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Board is appointed annually by the Southern Baptist Convention. As the Convention is composed of representatives from the churches, the Board is the servant of the churches. It is composed of men who belong to some of these churches. Those brethren are selected with a view to their piety, Christian integrity and interest in the mission work. No better place than Richmond to furnish these brethren, as there are over twenty Baptist churches here, and no better set of men could be found anywhere than those composing the Board. All give their time gratuitously to the work, with the exception of the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, who receive compensation for their services; the latter, however, for only a part of his time. The Board was organized in 1845, in the same year that the Southern Baptist Convention was organized.

DUTIES OF THE BOARD.

To these brethren is entrusted the duty of directing our foreign mission work. This includes: (1) Establishing mission stations; (2) Selecting and sending out missionaries; (3) Settling questions which arise on the field as to the conduct of the work; (4) Providing for the support of the missionaries. In all of these points great wisdom is needed, and the

Board often feels it necessary to refer questions for decision back to the brethren in the Convention who appointed them. Many look upon the Board as a big machine. It would do such people good to meet with them once, and see them earnestly, carefully, prayerfully, considering the important questions which come before them for consideration.

"*Our Work.* We have now employed 49 missionaries and 91 native helpers. We take these figures from our last annual report: In Canton and vicinity, (begun in 1845) 13 missionaries, 22 native helpers, 5 churches with 806 members, 109 baptisms, 10 schools, $1,164.52 of contributions; Shanghai and vicinity, (1847), 7 missionaries, 5 native assistants, 5 churches, 104 members, 7 baptisms, 2 schools, contributions, $86; Tung Chow and vicinity, (1860), 12 missionaries, 3 churches, 149 members, 4 baptisms. For African missions, Lagos and interior, (1850), 9 missionaries, 7 assistants, 5 churches, 166 members, 24 baptisms, contributions, $123.50. In Italy, at Rome, Florence and fourteen other towns, (1870), 3 missionaries from the United States, 27 native preachers and colporters, 17 churches, 372 members, 38 baptisms, contributions, $395. In Brazil, at Bahia and vicinity, (1882), 5 missionaries, 4 native helpers, 4 churches, 280 members, 69 baptisms; at Rio and vicinity, (1883), 6 missionaries, 5 native preachers, 6 churches, 114 members, 17 baptisms, contributions, $715. Pernambuco, (1889), 32 members, 23 baptisms, contributions, $125; Campos, (1890), 4 missionaries, 2 native assistants, 1 church, 93 members, 50 baptisms. contributions, $390. In Mexico, (1880), 25 missionaries, 15 native helpers, 37 churches, 1,163 members, 277 baptisms, 2 schools, contributions, $2,600.25. In Japan, (1889), 4 missionaries, 4 native assistants, 1 church, 31 members, 9 baptisms. Total churches 84, members 3,328, baptisms 629, schools 15, contributions $5,944.27.

For the current year the work seems to be nowhere specially impeded, but in every field are continued proofs of Divine favor, and of the power of the Holy Spirit. Our representatives must not be recalled from the front. It would cost more to bring them back, than to support them there for several months."—The Sisters.

The ladies in their organizations have done well. Year after year they have given, some by mites, some hundreds of dollars, and they are a power for good in this great work. Their contribution last year for the foreign mission work was $23,514.99. Their headquarters are 9 W. Lexington street, Baltimore, Md., and Miss Annie Armstrong is the earnest, active Corresponding Secretary. Every church should have a woman's missionary society. The sisters are always ready to go forward in the Lord's work, when encouraged by their pastors. By this feature of our work being thoroughly recognized, we will increase our contributions, and above all just now, will increase our knowledge of the needs of the Foreign Mission work. We also urge that the children shall be organized into Sunbeam societies. The "Sunbeams" now number 546 societies. There is a department in the Journal for giving information and increasing the interest. During the last conventional year these societies contributed $2,253.44. This amount represents the waste money saved for Christ. Pastors, train the children to give.

NEW MISSIONARY.

We are glad to note that Miss Lottie Price, of Asheville, will sail this fall for Shanghai, China, with brother and sister R. T. Bryan. For several years sister Price has shown her fitness for such work by her faithfulness and efficiency at home. She has at

home been a missionary. She merely enlarges her field by going to China. Your committee recommends that this Association provide for sister Price's salary and traveling expenses to China.

What does it mean just now that God is calling from our own numbers the true and the tried to go and teach in heathen lands? There is another lady in Asheville begging to be sent this fall. Her pastor has been forced to ask her to wait. Does it not mean that the Lord of the vineyard is calling upon his stewards for a more faithful return of his dues? Shall we withhold the Lord's share? Let us rise up and say, Go, ye laborers called of the Lord; we will support you. Thanking God for what He has done, let us hear His voice, saying: Go ye into all the world and preach my gospel.

J. L. WHITE,
A. S. WHITAKER, } Com.
A. B. JUSTICE,

By motion the report was adopted.

Rev. R. T. Bryan, a returned missionary from China, addressed the Association on the subject of "Foreign Missions." This address will long be remembered by our people, and no doubt will kindle a desire in many hearts to do more in the future to carry the gospel to the heathen lands. At the close of his address he asked the Association to raise for Miss Lottie Price, of Asheville, who is to leave for China as a missionary, about Oct. 1st next, the sum of $175, this amount being to pay her expenses to China.

Pledges from the following churches and individuals were made:

1st church, Asheville,	25 00
West End church,	25 00
Mt. Carmel,	12 50

Beaverdam,	12 50
Fern Hill,	10 00
Antioch,	5 00
Avery's Creek,	5 00
Berea,	5 00
Cane Creek,	10 00
Flat Creek,	5 00
Gash's Creek,	10 00
Hominy,	10 00
Locust Grove,	1 00
Morgan Hill,	5 00
Mt. Olive,	1 00
Oak Grove,	2 00
Pleasant Hill,	1 00
New Salem,	1 00
Vernon Hill,	1 00
Beulah,	2 00
Academy Hill Mission, Asheville,	5 00
A. E. Brown, for churches,	5 00
Bent Creek,	5 00
White Rock,	5 00
Brown's Chapel,	1 00
Mrs. J. L. Buchanan,	2 00
Mrs. J. T. Justice,	1 00
J. T. Justice,	5 00
J. H. Cordell,	1 00
M. A. Jenkins, pd.,	1 00
J. M. Stoner,	5 00
A. S. Whitaker, pd.,	1 00
Big Ivy,	5 00
Spring Mountain,	3 00
Total amount pledged and paid,	$194 00

By motion adjourned one hour for dinner.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Association was called to order by Moderator at

2:30 p. m. Prayer was offered by Bro. William Ward. The Clerk proceeded to call the roll of delegates. 106 answered to their names. Brother J. H. Tucker, chairman of the committee on Home Missions, submitted his report, which reads as follows:

HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is located in Atlanta, Ga., with Dr. I. T. Tichenor as Corresponding Secretary. It proposes to supply the destitute sections of the South, including the Indian Territory and Cuba. Its work in the past has met with the most signal proofs of Divine favor.

Since its organization this Board employed nearly 6,000 missionaries, constituted about 2,500 churches, built 1,000 houses of worship and added about 200,000 members to our churches. So that it is now estimated that one-seventh of the numerical strength of the Baptists of the South, and the constitution of one-half of the churches in the States of Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, Indian Territory and the whole work in Cuba, are due to the efforts of the Home Mission Board.

In 1893 this Board received $107,000 and employed 386 missionaries. It owns property worth $94,000.00.

With the great work of this Board in the past to stimulate us, stamped by the Divine approval of the Spirit, with its beneficent arms reaching in every direction planting the seed of truth and succoring the weak and encouraging the strong, ought not we, as benificiaries of this Board, thank God for its existence and lend it a helping hand?

CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

Akin to and a part of Home Missions, is the work of missions within the bounds of the Western Baptist Convention. This Board is located in Asheville,

N. C., with Rev. J. L. White as President and John P. Morgan as Corresponding Secretary. This Board, within the last year, has greatly increased its missionary efforts and the Lord is blessing its work.

The Board was fortunate in continuing the services of that tireless and consecrated worker, John P. Morgan, as its Corresponding Secretary. A proper yoke fellow in the work of missions was employed in the person of Rev. S. C. Owen, general Sunday School missionary. Besides these Rev. W. P. Southern is employed as city missionary in Asheville; Rev. T. C. Holsclaw as missionary in Henderson and Transylvania counties; Rev. J. W. Lawing in Graham and Clay counties; G. A. Bartlett in Macon; J. M. Earls in Swain; D. M. Pressley in Buncombe and W. H. Rich at Murphy. Bro. Rich has taken up the work at Murphy where our lamented brother Harrington left it off at his death and we are expecting the Lord to greatly bless this field. In the most of these fields this has been a year marked by progress and encouragement in the general work.

Within the bounds of the Western Convention the Holy Spirit has owned and blessed our efforts. Sinners have been made to rejoice; wanderers have been reclaimed; waste places built up and the Master honored. Yet, shame upon the Baptists of this State! Almost within the shadow of church spires upon our hill-sides and within our valleys are houses without bibles—without Christ—without God. How long—oh, how long, blessed bleeding One, will we permit Thy cause to suffer? Brethren, bestir yourselves during the coming year to redeem your lost opportunities in performing the command, "Preach the gospel to every creature."

J. H. TUCKER,
F. M. WILLIAMS,
JASON ASHWORTH, } Com.

After interesting speeches on the subject of Home Missions by brothers J. H. Tucker and J. P. Morgan, this report was unanimously adopted. Bro. J. P. Morgan then proceeded to take up a cash collection for Home Missions which amounted to about $10.00. Pledges were then taken for Conventional Missions for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows:

1st church, Asheville,	$ 360 00
Big Ivy,	5 00
Berea,	5 00
Beaverdam,	5 00
Bent Creek,	5 00
Cane Creek,	10 00
Fern Hill,	20 00
Gash's Creek,	5 00
Hominy,	20 00
Morgan Hill,	10 00
Mt. Olive,	1 50
Spring Mountain,	2 00
Vernon Hill,	5 00
White Rock,	5 00
Beulah,	2 00
Brown's Chapel,	1 00
New Salem,	5 00
Total for Conventional Missions,	$466 50

Bro. J. S. Dickey, Principal of the Skyland Institute of Asheville, was introduced and seated in the Association.

Rev. S. C. Owen submitted the following:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday School is the teaching department of the church. The material is the children of our country. The training, the drawing out and moulding the immortal mind for time and eternity should

be the end in view. In order to do this successfully, we must have more efficient teachers—men and women skilled in the knowledge of God's word, and of deep piety.

To meet this end, the Buncombe County Sunday School Convention, at its last meeting, at Mount Carmel church, divided our County into three sections, in each of which it is expected that the conductors appointed for that purpose, will hold at least three Sunday School Institutes during each year for the benefit of teachers. Rev. A. E. Brown is conductor of that section west of French Broad river, Rev. A. I. Justice conductor for south of Asheville and the Craggy range of mountains and G. H. Burnham conductor north of Asheville and the Craggy mountains. We ask this Association to encourage this Institute work, for we must have better teachers before we can have better Sunday Schools. We cannot insist too strongly on all our Sunday Schools to keep the 30th of next September as Missionary Day. Programs are being prepared by our Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn., and will be sent on application. Collections are expected on that day to be sent to the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn., to be equally divided between the Home and Foreign Boards, unless otherwise directed by the Sunday Schools. We also mention with pride, the Sunday School literature of our Board at Nashville. It is not excelled by any, is eminently sound and adapted to our people.

Last year this Board paid as a revenue from its literature $5,000.00 to Home and Foreign Missions. We regret to mention the fact that some of our Sunday Schools do not take collections. If the children are not taught liberality, they are not taught missions, are not taught the gospel. How long shall this continue? Let us pray for the children; they

are the hope of our country. Let us encourage and pray for our teachers. S. C. OWEN.

After an earnest talk by Rev. S. C. Owen on Sunday Schools and Sunday School work, the report was adopted.

By motion the hour of twelve o'clock tomorrow was set for hearing report from the Executive Board.

By motion adjourned.

At 8:15 p. m. a large audience assembled to hear a lecture delivered by Rev. R. T. Bryan, on the subject of "John Chinaman." He held his audience almost spell-bound for more than one hour. This lecture was spoken of in the highest terms by all who heard it.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 1894.

Assembled at 9:30 a. m. and spent thirty minutes in prayer and song service, conducted by Bro. W. Haynes.

Rev. A. E. Brown, Moderator, then called the Association to order. The Clerk read the minutes of yesterday. By motion they were adopted.

The committee on Orphanage not being present, W. D. Justice and W. Haynes were appointed on that committee and requested to prepare a report.

The following report was submitted:

STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

It is the observation of your committe that some of our churches are making progress along certain lines, while others are on the decline. (1) We note that some of our country churches are having preaching oftener and paying their pastors better salaries. (2) That some of our churches are raising more money, and doing it more systematically, for missions, than formerly. (3) That a number of our churches have efficient pastors, which is an encour-

aging feature. But when we turn to the other side of the picture, we find:

(1) A number of our churches do not support their pastors as liberally as they are able, thereby preventing them from visiting more and preaching better. (2) We regret to note that some of our churches will not co-operate heartily with our Board —will not respond to calls when help is needed. So long as this state of affairs exist, the churches cannot be developed nor our mission work enlarged. While these churches probably are not more negligent than formerly, it is a condition that indicates any thing else but prosperity. (3) Many of our churches are not as strict in discipline as the Bible requires, nor as the churches were years ago. As a consesequence, "*the salt is losing its savor,*" and "*the light is becoming darkness.*" Such churches forfeit the favor of God in their efforts to build themselves up. Protracted meetings, good preaching, nor anything else but a return to the old landmarks of Bible discipline can atone for such mistakes.

S. J. MORGAN,
G. H. BURNHAM, } Com.
J. P. MORGAN,

Speeches were made on this report, and State of the Churches, by brethren James Plemmons, J. L. White, S. J. Morgan and others.

By motion this report was adopted.

Miss Fannie Jeffries, of 1st church, Asheville, was brought before the Association as one who had given herself as a missionary to the foreign fields. Many pledged liberally to her support, but not sufficient to meet her expenses. The subject was postponed until the next Association, when we hope to send her.

TIME, PLACE AND ANNUAL SERMON.

Your committee on Time, Place and Annual

Sermon, submit the following: Time—Tuesday before the 3rd Sunday in August, 1895. Place—Antioch church, Democrat, N. C. Introductory Sermon, Rev. A. I. Justice. Alternate, W. P. Southern.

W. T. Bradley, } Com.
P. A. Smathers, }

This report was unanimously adopted.

The Moderator announced the following committees to prepare reports to be presented at the next meeting of this Association :

On Foreign Missions—W. P. Southern, T. J. Reed, F. Sluder.

Home and Conventional Missions—Rev. A. I. Justice, J. E. Davis, S. J. Morgan.

Education—Rev. J. L. White, F. P. Ingle, J. W. Jones.

Temperance—G. H. Burnham, E. J. Morgan, Robert Clayton.

Baptist Orphanage—W. Haynes, James Plemmons, W. M. Murray.

Sunday Schools—G. L. Finch, L. Y. Israel, Dr. A. S. Whitaker.

State of the Churches—W. T. Bradley, J. W. Nash, R. E. L. Campbell.

Periodicals—Rev. A. I. Justice, M. L. Reed, M. Sluder.

The committee on Orphanage submittied the following:

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We need not tell the Baptists composing the Buncombe County Association that they have in connection with the Baptists of the State an Orphanage located at Thomasville, N. C. One of our noble brothers in the person of J. H. Mills is at the head of it, and at this time there are about 130 boys and girls

there, entirely dependent on the contributions from churches and people to feed and clothe them, and pay for teachers, nurses, etc. We would urge upon the churches the full measure of duty in regular contributions to this part of our work. Also we recommend *Charity and Children*, a paper published at the Orphanage, and the work principally done by the children. Price, one dollar per annum. It is one of the best papers in the State. The money derived from this paper goes to the Orphanage.

W. D. JUSTICE,
W. HAYNES, } Com.

After earnest talks in behalf of the Orphanage by Bros. W. D. Justice and W. Haynes, this report was adopted.

Bros. R. H. Moore, from Green River, and Prof. P. F. Hankins, Principal of Big Ivy High School, were introduced and seated in the Association. A cash collection was taken up for the Orphanage, which amounted to $5.57.

A motion prevailed that each church in this Association appoint one of its members whose duty shall be to canvass the membership of his or her church and solicit contributions for the support of the Orphanage. The following named persons were appointed by the churches:

1st church, Asheville, E. H. Wright; Antioch, Prof. J. W. Harrowood; Avery's Creek, Robert Clayton; Beaverdam, Mrs. J. T. Justice; Bent Creek, Miss Sallie Green; Cane Creek, Miss Delia Reed; Beulah, Mrs. J. A. Davis; Brown's Chapel, W. T. Bradley; Flat Creek, Mrs. Roberts; Fern Hill, Mrs. C. R. Whitaker; French Broad, James Wagner; Gash's Creek, T. J. Ingle; Hominy, Mrs. Josie Miller; Locust Grove, S. E Harrowood; Morgan Hill, F. M. Stockton; Mt. Carmel, Miss Teuce Brookshire; New Salem, M. Lance; Pleasant Hill, K. R. Lockhart;

Sulphur Springs, Geo. Spivy; Spring Mountain, Miss Guthrie; Trinity, W. M. Cook; West End, Asheville, Mrs. W. A. Lafoon; White Rock, M. Warren, Berea, Miss Sallie Rice.

A motion prevailed that Mrs. C. R. Whitaker, of Biltmore, be appointed to look after the pledges made by the various churches for the Orphanage.

Rev. W. T. Bradley, Historian, submitted the following:

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

The last session of our Association was held at Cane Creek, Fair View, N. C., Aug. 15, 16 and 17, 1893. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. A. E. Brown, from 1st Chron. 12:32. We had at that meeting reports from 28 churches. Rev. A. E. Brown was then elected Moderator and O. F. Thompson, Clerk, E. B. Stradley, Treasurer, and W. T. Bradley, Historian. The Introductory Sermon, speeches and music were all interesting from first to last. This was one of the most harmonious sessions we have ever had. There has been a forward movement during this associational year. Most of the churches have had good revivals. There have been 232 additions by baptism, 282 additions by letter and 35 restorations since the last meeting of our Association. Our Association has at this time a membership of 3,041, an increase from last year of 122 members. There has been a splendid house of worship completed and dedicated at Fair View. Reems Creek church, which had run down and for sometime been a missionary station, has now taken on new life and has well nigh completed a good house of worship. Fern Hill, at Biltmore, where the Association meets this year, has built a splendid house at a cost of about $5,500. Mount Carmel has enlarged her house. It is now a beauty. The cost of improvements

amounted to about $300. Macedonia church was lettered at our last Association to join the New Found Association. Beulah church, on North Turkey Creek, has been organized during the last year. French Broad church has been thoroughly tried by her new pastor going off with the "Seventh-day Adventists," but she is too firm to be carried about by every wind of doctrine. She is at this time without a pastor. Rev. E. J. Morgan has been called to Hominy church since our last meeting and Rev. A. E. Brown to Mt. Carmel, Rev. G. L. Finch to Fern Hill, T. M. Honeycutt, of Mars Hill, to Flat Creek church. Rev. W. M. Murray is now pastor of Berea church. Rev. J. C. Owen, who will attend Wake Forest college this fall, has been preaching for Gash's Creek church during the past year. Bros. J. C. Owen, F. M. Pressley, Merrit Sluder and G. P. Austin have been ordained to the work of the ministry during the last year. Bro. Merrit Sluder is preaching at Sulphur Springs and Trinity. Bro. G. P. Austin is preaching at Beulah church. The citizens of Big Ivy township have just completed a splendid school building, situated near Antioch church. A High School will soon open there with Prof. G. F. Hankins as Principal. Rev. S. C. Owen has been traveling during the past year as Sunday School missionary in the bounds of this Association.

W. T. BRADLEY, Historian.

By motion this report was adopted.

The committee on Executive Board and Trustess for Fair View Collegiate Institute, made the following report:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Your committee recommends that you appoint the following named brethren as Executive Board for the ensuing year: J. W. Nash, C. S. Cooper and

J. H. Tucker, and for Board of Trustees for Fair View Collegiate Institute, 1st 5: Jason Ashworth, John A. Brookshire, Charles Whitaker, T. J. Reed, and F. P. Ingle. 2nd 5: Dr. G. W. Purefoy, J. H. Tucker, Rev. A. I. Justice, M. L. Reed and Rev. A. E. Brown. 3rd 5: Judson Morgan, Rev. J. L. White, Rev. G. L. Finch, J. W. Jones and Jas. H. Sams.

W. Haynes,
T. J. Reed,
F. Sluder, } Com.

By motion this report was adopted.

Committee on Periodicals submitted the following:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Our country is the grandest arena God ever prepared for his children. Never in the history of our country have we passed through such a crisis as we are passing through now. Never was there a time when so much has been and is now being done to tear down the morals of our young people. We know no more effectual means the devil is using, than through the broadcasting of bad literature through our land. This is a day that the young minds are craving for something, they know not what, and if fathers and mothers do not supply their children with literature that will elevate them, the agents of the *wicked one* are always ready to supply them with periodicals that will degrade them. It is surprising to see so little interest manifested along this line by the parents in our denomination. Out of fifteen thousand Baptists in Western North Carolina, not over eight hundred are taking their Conventional paper, nor any other religious paper. Yea, some of our homes have not even the Bible. Viewing these facts. it is no wonder that we have so many ignorant boys and girls growing up without any knowledge of

our blessed Master, who gave His life that they might know and believe on Him. Fathers, you are responsible for it. It behooves every father to look after the literature that his children read, and try as far as he is able to place in their hands pure literature. Your committee recommends the following periodicals: *The Western North Carolina Baptist, Charity and Children, Foreign Mission Journal, Home Field.*

G. H. BURNHAM.

By motion the report was adopted.

The following pledges were made for Fair View Collegiate Institute:

F. P. Ingle,	$ 50 00
1st church, Asheville, by Oct. next,	50 00
" " " during the year,	50 00
Cane Creek church,	50 00
T. J. Reed,	100 00

By motion Rev. A. I. Justice was appointed to canvass the different churches and raise, if possible, enough money to liquidate the debt now on the Fair View Collegiate Institute. By motion the following resolution, offered by Rev. W. Haynes, was adopted:

Resolved, that, in our opinion, no public funds which can be appropriated by the Legislature for education, should be appropriated, otherwise than for the public schools.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

We were unable to get a man on the field earlier than January 15th, at which time we employed Rev. J. E. Bassett, who labored until the first of June, when he was discontinued. About the first of July, Rev. D. M. Pressley, a student of Wake Forest college, asked and obtained employment under our Board during his vacation. He is at present laboring in the northern part of the county, and is meeting

with marked success. For some cause he has not sent in his report for July.

We submit herewith a summary of Rev. J. E. Bassett's work: Days labored, 47; miles traveled, 306; sermons preached, 19; addresses delivered, 8; religious visits, 33; collected on salary, $16.17; collected for other objects, $10.95; collected for church building, $8.34. The work has been done at a cost of $56.25. (This does not include the cost of Pressley's work.) While the Buncombe Association contributes more to Conventional Missions than any other association in our Convention, it is a fact also that it has had less work done in its bounds, our contributions going to other sections, to the neglect of our own destitution. It is to be hoped that this order of things will be changed sufficiently to allow your Executive Board means to supply our own destitution.

A. E. Brown, Chairman.
E. B. Stradley, Secretary.

By motion this report was adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Your committee on Finance beg leave to report the receipt of thirty-two dollars and thirty cents for minutes.

1st church, Asheville,	$ 5 00
Avery's Creek,	1 00
Antioch,	85
Beulah,	50
Bent Creek,	1 40
Big Ivy,	1 85
Berea,	80
Brown's Chapel,	60
Beaverdam,	1 00
Cane Creek,	1 60
Flat Creek,	1 25
Fern Hill,	1 50

French Broad,	2 00
Gash's Creek,	1 00
Highland,	25
Hominy,	1 50
Locust Grove,	80
Mount Carmel,	2 00
Morgan Hill,	1 60
New Salem,	30
Oak Grove,	1 00
Pleasant Hill,	65
Sulphur Springs,	1 10
Spring Mountain,	50
Trinity,	70
White Rock,	1 30
Vernon Hill,	25
	$32 30

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The committee on Temperance made the following report: As we look out over our Nation, and into the homes of the people, our hearts are filled with grief at the desolation we see wrought by King Alcohol. But we are truly thankful that there is a bright side of this dark picture. Petitions by the hundreds and thousands, signed by millions of the best and wisest men and women in our land, have been for years pouring into our National, State and Municipal halls of Legislature, begging our law-makers, for the relief of the ravages of the enemy. As a result we see strong organizations from the National Prohibition party, down through State to the local clubs and societies in our cities and towns, bound together with one strong purpose: to drive this great enemy from our beloved land, and then pursue it with the sword of truth to the ends of the earth.

Our enemies are fearing the tramp of this mighty

and grown-up army, and like brave men, the whisky dealers are organizing their forces and training them well for the last great contest. They are announcing from platform and through their journals their determined purpose to support no party nor men for public office, who are opposed to the whiskey traffic. In this purpose they are of one mind and one heart. They believe, they teach and practice the same things.

We commend in the highest terms their wisdom and consistency. Wiser are they than the children of light. On the other hand they will and do support, by ballot, by free whiskey, any party or men to public office who favor their business. In this we see they have adopted a wise policy; in fact, they have but one policy, and that is to support and protect their business by the strong arm of the law. They certainly know their stronghold. It is a matter of very great indifference to them as to who makes and enforces the laws, so long as their business is not interfered with. It is an interesting fact that the Pope of Rome's representative in America has declared against the great liquor traffic, in that he commands the Catholic societies in the United States to excommunicate all members connected with the liquor traffic in any way. This is virtually law. So strong is this, that a society of Roman Catholics in Baltimore, Md., numbering three thousand have very recently declared themselves independent Catholics. We would advise our churches and ministers to give no uncertain sound on this great question. A pure ministry—pure from the stain and odes of alcohol; a pure church, a pure home, a pure vote, are our effectual weapons with which to fight this enemy. As to voting, we would advise our brethren to pray, consider the wisdom of the enemy, be consistent to vote as you please, remembering the day of final accounts.

W. P. SOUTHERN,
W. D. JUSTICE, } Com.

Strong and telling speeches were made in favor of Temperance by Rev. J. L. White, Rev. A. E. Brown and W. D. Justice.

By motion this report was unanimously adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT, YEAR ENDING AUG. 14, 1894.

Sept. 1, 1893, To balance on hand,		$ 13 73	
Nov. 7, S. P. Davis, education,		2 50	
Dec. 7, J. L. White,	"	1 00	
" 18, S. P. Davis,	"	2 50	
" 19, J. J. Miller,	"	5 00	
" 19, Joe Ashworth,	"	5 00	
" 19, Jason Ashworth,	"	5 00	
Jan. 6, 1894, 1 ch. Ashe. J. H. Tucker,		5 00	
" 8, J. Q Adams,		5 00	
" 9, Johnson Ashworth,		5 00	
" 15, Academy Hill S. S.,		5 00	
" 15, J. A. Wray,		5 00	
Feb. 6, J. L. White,		2 00	
" 17, Bent Creek church, Missions,		2 50	
" 19, 1 ch. Asheville, Education,		17 00	
Mch. 7, Miss. Bd. W. B. C., Missions,		10 00	
" 7, Hendersonville ch., Ed.,		10 00	
Apr. 4, Mount Carmel church,		5 00	
" 4, Miss. Bd. W. B. C., Missions,		5 00	
May 6, Hominy church,		5 00	
" 8, Cane Creek,		5 00	
" 8, 1 ch. S. S., Asheville, Ed.,		8 00	
June 6, Miss. Bd. W. B. C., Missions,		6 00	
" 9, Mount Carmel church,		5 00	
" 25, Beaverdam,		4 50	$144 73
By am'ts paid to students at Fairview,		88 00	
" " " " J. E. Bassett, Miss.,		55 50	
Balance on hand,		$1 23	$147 73

E. B. STRADLEY, Treas.

By motion this report was adopted.

A motion prevailed that R. J. Stokely, Clerk of

the Association, be paid the sum of ten dollars for his services as Clerk and writing up the minutes, having same printed and distributed, and that he be instructed to draw on the Executive Board for any additional money needed in paying for having minutes printed.

After singing "God be with you till we meet again" the Association adjourned to meet with Antioch church, on Tuesday before the 3rd Sunday in August, 1895.

A. E. Brown, Moderator.

R. J. Stokely, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I—Name.

Section 1. This body shall be known as the "Buncombe County Baptist Association."

Article II—Constituency.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist church in Buncombe County, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for. Provided, however, that any church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Sec. 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor, and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

Article III—Officers.

Section 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately

after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

SEC. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parlimentary Practice.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV—OBJECT.

SECTION 1. It shall be the object of this Associa tion to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the Western Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

ARTICLE V—COMMITTEES AND TRUSTEES.

SECTION 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Associational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance and Sunday Schools, and each committee shall submit a written report upon the subject assigned at the next annual Association.

SEC. 2. The Moderator shall also appoint a committee on the Order of Business, Finance, Time and Place and Annual Sermon of the next Association and such other committees as the Association may direct, which committees shall report in writing on the subject assigned while the Association is in session.

SEC. 3. That the Association shall elect a Board of Trustees consisting of fifteen members one-third of whom shall hold their office for one year; one-third

shall hold for two years, and one-third for three years. That the first five members appointed on the list of Trustees are elected for one year, the second five for two years and the third five for three years. All vacancies occurring in said Board of Trustees by death, resignation or expiration of term shall be filled by re-election at the next annual Association. That said Board of Trustees so elected shall constitute the Board of Education of the Buncombe County Association, and shall be empowered to receive donations and hold property both real and personal for educational purposes, to procure charters for educational institutions and to take all necessary legal action for the furtherance of education within the Association. Said Board shall further assume and take possession, control and supervision of all school property belonging to the Association, shall establish schools and report their acts and recommendations to the meetings of the annual Associations for ratification. Said Board shall have no power to purchase property and contract debts, but by the authority and consent of a two-thirds vote of the Association in its annual meetings. The officers of said Board shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and an Executive Board, whose duty shall be such as is common to such officers or such as shall be defined and designated by the Board for its government and work, said Board shall fix the time and place of its annual meetings, but the President and Secretary and three members of the Board, may call a meeting at such time and place as they think best for the transaction of such business as may be necessary at the time.

Article VI—Executive Board.

Section 1. This body shall at each annual session appoint an Executive Board consisting of three judicious

and active brethren with the officers of the Association as ex officio members whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of the Western Baptis Convention in supplying the destitution within our bounds.

ARTICEE VII—CHURCH LETTERS.

SECTION 1. The church letter shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; name of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their postoffice; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members, time of prayer meeting, amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday School and Bible Missions, and if for any other object to be noted. Report of Sunday School to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and postoffice of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII—BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE IX—MEETING.

SECTION 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTITLE X—PRINTING.

SECTION 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of the Association are printed, a copy of this constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI—Correspondence.

Section 1. This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII—Faith.

Section 1. This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Sec. 2. As an abstract of Faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

Article XIII—Amendment.

Section 1. This Cohstitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Officers and Teachers	No. of Pupils	Average Attendance	Professions	Paid for Ministerial Education	Paid for Literature	Class Collection	Contingent Expenses	Special Collection	Paid for City Missionary / General Collection	Support of Poor	Foreign Missions	Home Missions
1st Church, Asheville	J. H. Tucker	21	356	204			156 35	554 87	118 52		2 10			
Academy Hill Mission	G. F. Stradley	6	100	53	2		20 00	52 00	27 00				5 00	
Antioch	J. H. Woodward	4	75	35										
Beaverdam	W. Haynes	8	51	34				22 52	4 52				18 10	
Big Ivy	A. I. Ingle	6	50	40	6									
Bent Creek	Thomas Stradley	5	63	37	5		7 20		8 00					
Brown's Chapel	W. T. Bradley	6	100	60	25		8 00							
Beulah	G. P. Austin	6	60	46					18 00					
Cane Creek	S. J. Ashworth	7	142	90	15		20 00	32 00	12 00					
Flat Creek	J. H. Sams	7	100	70	7			3 00	3 00					
French Broad	Geo. W. Tilson	12	145	81		37 48	47 43	84 91						
Fern Hill	Dr.A.S.Whitaker	6	65	52	10		30 00				5 00		4 16	
Gash's Creek	M. L. Reed	5	75	65			12 00							
Hominy	M. H. Morgan	7	90	58	5		15 00							
Locust Grove														
Mount Olive	R. A. Stewart	3	37	20										
Morgan Hill	F. M. Stockton	10	108	84	6		10 00		2 35					
Mount Carmel	J. W. Nash	7	143	91	5		8 80				1 70			
New Salem														
North Asheville Miss.	R. J. Stokely	7	90	64	5		17 50	115 40	97 65					
Oak Grove														
Pleasant Hill	K. R. Lockhart	5	40	25			1 15							
Berea	W. D. Allison	4	55	45	13		5 60							
Sulphur Springs	John Ledford	4	90	50			7 00		3 50					
Spring Mountain	S. F. Moore	4	44	25	1		2 25							
Trinity														
Vernon Hill	J. B. Ingle	4	49	29	8				2 00					
White Rock	S. P. Warren		60	40					6 00					
West End, Asheville	W. P. Southern	9	212	118			171 96	171 96						
		163	2400	1516	113	37 48	540 24	103 66	302 54		8 80		27 26	

STICS.

Church Building and Repairs	Baptist Orphanage	Value Church Prop'ty	Ministerial Education	Support of Poor	Minute Fund	All Other Objects	Total Raised
760 91	69 33	50,000	70 85	84 46	5 00		$4176 25
							78 43
		1400	8 25	4 52	1 00		307 12
41 70		1400			80		210 90
		800			2 00		57 00
	5 00			2 00	1 40		48 00
2 00					60		62 60
				1 40	50		21 90
500 00			21 50		1 50	10 00	787 30
		1800			1 25		106 00
		6000	5 00		2 00		668 78
20 50	48 20		15 00	14 00	1 50	40 00	899 75
				8 75			133 75
20 50	5 00				1 50		239 00
					80		45 80
							1 20
					1 60		93 85
325 00	1 35		5 00				569 22
					30		50 30
					1 00		68 90
					65		53 50
					1 00		30 60
12 00	65				50		29 85
					70		70
5 00	5 00			1 00	25		13 25
	1 65						64 67
90 00				50 00	1 00		679 50
					1 00		34 80
1777 61	136 18		125 60	166 23	27 95	50 00	

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MINUTES

.....OF THE.....

fourteenth

ELEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

... OF THE ...

BUNCOMBE COUNTY

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

OF NORTH CAROLINA.

HELD WITH THE

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH,

AUGUST 13, 14 AND 15, 1895.

WESTERN N. C. BAPTIST PRINT, WAYNESVILLE.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOGIATION.

Moderator,
REV. E. J. MORGAN, Candler, N. C.
Clerk,
A. C. DURHAM, Asheville, N. C.
Treasurer,
J. M. STONER, Asheville, N. C.
Historian,
W. T. BRADLEY, Morgan Hill, N. C.

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ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Anderson, J. W., Asheville.	Brown, A. E., Owenby.
Bassett, J. E., "	Sluder, M., "
Southern, W. P., "	Murray, W. M., Riceville.
Belix, Dr, J. S., "	Brown, T. K., "
Fetts, J. T., "	Israel, T. Y., Dunsmore.
Plemmons, J., "	Riddle, B. B., Pensacola.
Bradley, W. T., Morgan Hill	Springs, W. T., Biltmore.
Morgan, S. J., " "	Whitaker, Dr. A. S., "
Morgan, E. J., Hominy.	Presley, F. M., "
Owen, S. C., Candler.	Cordill, J. C., Beach.
Austin, G. P., Proviso.	Moore, S. F., Fairview.
Justice, A. I., Fairview.	Honeycutt, T. M., Mars Hill
	Owen, J. C., Fairview.

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The next session of Buncombe County Baptist Association will be held with Mount Carmel church, four miles west of Asheville, beginning on Tuesday, at 11 o'clock a. m., before the third Sunday in August, 1896. Introductory sermon by Rev. T. W. Bradley; alternate, Rev. T. C. King.

PROCEEDINGS.

ANTIOCH CHURCH, BUNCOMBE COUNTY, N. C., Thursday, Aug. 13, 1895.—The Buncombe County Baptist Association of North Carolina convened this day in its fourteenth annual session with Antioch church at 11 o'clock a. m. Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. A. I. Justice. Text, 2 Cor. 5:14. The sermon was an impressive one. The former Moderator being absent, the Association was called to order by R. J. Stokely, Clerk. By motion of Rev. S. C. Owen, Rev. E. J. Morgan was elected Moderator pro tem. S. C. Owen and F. M. Williams were requested to act as reading clerks. Letters from the following churches were read and the names of delegates enrolled:

Asheville First Church—J. H. Tucker, J. S. Dickey, R. J. Stokely, Jno. P. Morgan, J. W. Anderson, J. M. Stoner.

Asheville West End—A. C. Durham.

Antioch—W. T. Bradley, T. C. King, M. P. Proffit, Z. J. Carter, C. W. McKinney, D. N. Ball, H. L. McLain, O. F. Davis, Peter Burcell.

Avery's Creek—Gaston Ingram, S. O. Ingram.

Beaverdam—W. Haynes, W. C. Masters.

Big Ivy—Wm. Hurst, Dr. James Jay, W. Greenwood, S. J. Carter.

Bent Creek—Thos. Stradley, T. C. Crawford, A. Grant.

Beulah—J. A. Rodgers.

Berea—P. H. Shope, J. B. Gragg. T. K. Brown.

Bethel—H. P. Rich.

Brown's Chapel—W. T. Bradley, L. D. Mancy.

Fair View—W. H. Early, Wm. Ashworth, A. H. Pinkerton, J. R. Owen, A. I. Justice.

Fern Hill—W. M Murray.

Flat Creek—W. S. Roberts, A. Lockhart, L. Allman, T. M. Honeycutt.

French Broad—J. T. Betts, J. L. Wagner.

Hominy—J. J. Miller, M. H. Morgan, J. J. Greenwood.

Locust Grove—S. E. Arrowood. J. E. Roberts.

Morgan Hill—T. C. King, S. J. Morgan, W. T. Bradley, Jno. N. Bradley, F. M. Stockton, J. N. Morgan, R. P. Lewellyn, M. N. Bradley, L. O. McDenis.

Mount Carmel—M. N. Sluder, L. Plemmons, T. P. Brookshire, J. W. Nash.

Oak Grove—Jno. Capps, W. H. Hooker.

Pleasant Hill—M. W. Thompson.

Spring Mountain—B. O. Chatham, R. L. Freeman.

Trinity—F. M. Presley. J. M. Davis, C. N. McKinney.

Association then adjourned one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association re-assembled at 1:30 p. m. and was opened with prayer by Rev. T. K. Brown. The following officers were elected: Rev. E. J. Morgan, Moderator; A. C. Durham, Clerk; J. M. Stoner, Treasurer; W. T. Bradley, Historian.

Rev. Jno. Ammons, Rev. J. A. Bradley and Bro. F. M. Williams, of the French Broad Association, Prof. W. H. Rich, of Haywood Association, and Bro. C. M. Lewis, of Green River Association, were welcomed to seats with us.

The following committees were appointed:

On Finance—Jas. J. Greenwood, W. S. Roberts.

Time and Place—M. H. Morgan, J. W. Nash.

Religious Exercises—Pastor and deacons of Antioch church.

Rev. S. C. Owen then read the

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We have learned from experience and observation that a good Sunday-school is indispensable to the growth of a church. The Sunday-school is the teaching department of church work where every member can take an active part in carrying out the great commission of our Lord. The church that is insensible to its duty in this department of its work will ere long be as the church at Ephesus—the candlestick removed. The church that is most successful in training the children in its bounds will have the most active and consecrated membership in the future.

Nearly all, or quite, of our churches have Sunday-schools—some for the summer months only—but they need to be made better. Many of them are formal and lifeless, wanting in spirituality, more a social than a religious meeting. We are sustained in the assertion that many of our Sunday-school teachers do not expect souls to be saved as a result of their teaching. To get our churches to realize the magnitude of this work and become interested in learning the best methods of doing it is the work now before us. Our County Sunday-school Convention has undertaken this work by dividing its territory into sections, in each of which a leader is appointed to organize Sunday-school associations, to meet quarterly, whose object it is to do institute work for the special benefit of teachers and to devise plans to get all our church members to attend Sunday-school. It is left with the Sunday-school workers of each section to make these meetings a success or a failure. The object of these meetings is organization, without which we cannot succeed in our church work. With pleasure we mention the success of our Sunday-school Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, located at Nashville, Tenn. It closed the fourth year of its existence last May with

cash receipts from sales of its periodicals to the amount of $53,034.52. $5,916.83 was paid into the treasuries of our home and foreign boards for mission purposes, with a balance on hand of $2,495.51, making a total income to the Baptists of the South of $8,412.34. Thus we see that our Sunday-school Board bids fair to be one of the greatest sources of revenue to our Southern Baptist Convention. We can also most heartily recommend the literature of this Board as being in every way worthy of our patronage. It is pure in doctrine, simple in style, varied in its range of subjects. The peculiar doctrines of Baptists and the subject of missions are constantly kept before our people. Another department of this Board's work is preparing programs and conducting missionary day. This Board last year raised in this way $628.000 for home and foreign missions. Next missionary day is the 29th of next September. We insist on all our pastors and Sunday-school superintendents to send for programs by the first of September, and keep this day. The great benefit to be derived by keeping it is the education of children in missions. Brethren, let us, for Christ's sake, take pride enough in every department of our Sunday-school work to cooperate with every movevement for the furtherance of our common Sunday-school cause.

S. C. OWEN.

S C. Owen and T. K. Brown made interesting speeches on the report. After appointing Rev. S. C. Owen to preach tonight at 8 o'clock, the Association adjourned till tomorrow 9:30 a. m.

SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14, 1895.

The Association re-assembled at 9:30 a. m. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. A. Bradley. Prayer by Rev. Jno. Ammons. The Association was then called to order by the Moderator, and minutes of preceding day was read and approved. A letter from Liberty church was read, asking to be admitted into the Association. The request was granted and delegates seated. A letter from Bethel was also read, asking to be re-instated. This request was granted.

The Sunday-school report read by S. C. Owen on yesterday was again taken up and remarks were made on it by S. C, Owen and John Ammons. The report was then adopted. The committe on Home and Conventional Misssions offered the following:

REPORT ON HOME AND CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

The term "Home Missions" applies to the works done under the direction of the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. ts territory includes all of the Southern States, the Indian Territory, the District of Columbia and Cuba. It is now working in cooperation with most of our State boards. More missionaries were employed by this Board last year, and better results attended their labors, than ever before in any one year, as will be seen from the following statements taken from the Convention minutes: "Number of missionaries, four hundred and twenty-five, which was an increase over any previous year. These missionaries baptized five thousand nine hundred and twenty-one persons, the largest ingathering we have ever had in any one year from the labors of our missionaries." One very remarkable feature of our Home Board is that it began its work last year incumbered with a debt of more than $6,000 which had increased to $23,000 by the first of April.

About that time the Board sent out a strong appeal to the churches for

help. The result of that appeal was that the churches, and especially the Ladies' Missionary Societies, responded liberally, and the debt was reduced to $1,100 by the first of May. The Board was able to start out this year in good condition—almost free from debt. May we not look for an increased amount of work this year? Brethren, the Home Board deserves our sympathy and our help. We have double reason to help in this great work; first, because of the great amount of good which is being done, and second, because this Board has been helping so liberally in our Conventional mission work. Conventional missions is missions in Western North Carolina. Our Conventional Board has had in the field this year for all or part of their time nine missionaries. These missionaries have been carrying the bread of life to destitute sections of our country.

Owing to the financial depression which has overspread our country, our Board has been greatly hindered in its work; many worthy appeals have been made that the Board could not help for want of means. Bro. John P. Morgan, our Corresponding Secretary, deserves commendation for his untiring zeal and energy in keeping our Board so near out of debt. Rev. S. C. Owen has been laboring again this year as Sunday-school Missionary. He has been visiting the churches, holding conventions and institutes in various sections of the country, and we have no doubt but that great good will result from his labors. If our Convention lives, and if Baptist principles are sustained, and if we hold our ground in this country, we must keep our mission work going. This we can do only by the help and cooperation of the churches. Shall we have it?

A. I. Justice,
S. J. Morgan.

The report was discussed by Jno. P. Morgan, S. C. Owen, W. H. Rich, J. L. White. After the discussion pledges for Conventional missions were given as follows:

First Church, Asheville,	$ 150 00
Beaverdam,	5 00
Bent Creek,	5 00
Fairview,	10 00
Fern Hill, (conditional)	15 00
Brown's Chapel,	2 50
Avery's Creek,	5 00
Antioch,	5 00
French Broad,	15 00
Flat Creek,	5 00
Bethel,	2 50
Liberty,	1 00
Hominy,	10 00
Locust Grove,	2 50
Mt. Carmel,	5 00
Morgan Hill,	5 00
Trinity,	1 00
Total,	$248 50

A cash collection was then taken taken for Home and Conventional Missions which amounted to $13.50.

The report was then adopted. Rev. A. I. Justice read the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

This has been called a reading age. Satan seems to have foreseen what was coming, and to have converted the printing press into an agency o his to do evil Vile literature which is calculated only to corrupt the morals, to ruin the lives and to destroy the souls of those who read it, is being scattered broadcast throughout our land; and the home which is not supplied with wholesome literature will be bound to degenerate under this baneful influence. The American Baptist Publication Society is publishing a vast number of books which are in the hands of our colporters and missionaries for sale. These books will elevate yo ur children and brighten your homes. Brethren, buy them. It is a sad reflection on our denomination that so few of our people take a religious paper. *The Western North Carolina Baptist* is published right here in our midst, in the interest of the Baptists of this mountain country. It is a good paper and a cheap paper, and yet we are told that it has not more than six hundred paying subscribers. This a burning shame on the Baptists of Western North Carolina. Brethren, let's not allow this to be so longer, but make one united effort to get this paper into every Baptist home in our bounds. The mission boards of the Southern Baptist Convention have decided to consolidate their organs; so we will soon have a mission journal giving us information along all the lines of mission work. Now would be a good time to begin getting up clubs for the new paper.

A. I. JUSTICE,
M SLUDER.

Interesting remarks were made on the report by A. I. Justice, J. T. Betts and S. C. Owen. Adjourned one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator at 2:10 p. m. Prayer by J. W. Anderson. Report on Periodicals was adopted. W. Haynes read the

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

That our Orphanage at present appears to be taxed to its capacity, there being 133 orphans on the grounds to feed, clothe and otherwise care for, and near an average of that number during the past year. Although the contribution was not so large as for the preceding year, the prices of supplies have ranged lower, thus unabling the management to do more work with less means. We would recommend the adoption of some plan by which more churches and individuals might be reached, thus enlarging the sum of collection, and, at the same time, increase the usefulness of the institutton, enabling the general manager to gather up and train for usefulness many more boys and girls scattered from the mountains to the seashore. The Lord has given us these orphans. Will we now turn a deaf ear to their cry and send them away empty? We suppose all necessary information in regard to the Orphanage in the future will be found, from time to time, in the *Biblical Recorder*, at Raleigh, N. C., at $2 per annum, and in the *W. N. C. Baptist.*

W. HAYNES,
W. M. MURRAY.

W. Haynes, J. S. Dickey and J. T. Betts made good speeches on the report. Report was then adopted. The committee on Education submitted the following:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

"A good education is the full development of man in his entirety," is the language of the profound Grecian philosopher, Plato. Another has as well said. "I consider education to be that discipline of the mental and moral faculties which fits an individual to perform any duty which society imposes upon its members." We believe in that education which fits men for the highest usefulness in life, and the fullest enjoyment of eternity.

Educate a man physically to the exclusion of mental and religious training and you make him a grand beast, fit only to exhibit himself in an amphitheatre. Educate a man physically and mentally to the exclusion of religious training and you make him an atheist, an infidel or a sort of human devil, sharp, sneaking, cunning, capable, but unprincipled and full of deception. But educate a man physically, mentally and religiously and you make him a true man, worthy of your confidence and the highest honor which can be conferred upon him. This is the kind of education that is needed most in our mountain country.

Your committee would recommend that no young man be ordained to the full work of the Gospel ministry who has not, or who is not, endeavoring, with all his might, to obtain a good education. With so many good colleges, and noble brethren to help, any young man who has the grit and grace can get an education. The time has come for us to take an advanced step. The age in which we live demands it, the cause of Christ demands it. We would urge that this Association rally to the help of Fair View Collegiate Institute. Brethren, this is your property and unless you come to its rescue it must go. We also mention Antioch Seminary and Skyland Institute as institutions worthy your patronage. Mars Hill has a splendid faculty and is doing well. Many of our pastors ought to attend the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary for at least eight months. Broadus is in heaven, but he has left behind a noble band to carry on this great work.

W. H. RICH,
W. M. MURRAY,
T. C. KING.

Speeches on Education were made by W. H. Rich, J. L. White, J. T. Betts, T. M. Honeycutt.

Bro. A. I. Justice suggested that the Association aid Bro. H. P. Rich to attend Big Ivy Seminary, and the following pledges were given: Rev. J. T. Betts, $1; A. C. Durham, 1; W. H. Hooker, 1; J. L. Wagner, 1; J. B. Hider, 1; J. L. White, 1. J. M. Davis pledged for Trinity church $5. The following brethren pledged one month's board each: T. J. Carter, S. R. Williams, J. W. Arrowood, M. S. Proffitt, G. H. McKinney; W. T. Bradley, two month's board; W. H. Rich, one month's board and tuition.

MINISTERIAL AID.

Churches pledged for ministerial aid as follows: First Church, Asheville, $100; French Broad, 25; Big Ivy, 2; Berea, 5; Beaverdam, 10; Bent Creek, 2; Fairview, 10; Flat Creek, 5; Fern Hill, 15; Hominy, 5; Morgan Hill, (for H. P. Rich) 15; Trinity, (for H. P. Rich) 5; Mount Carmel, 5. Report on Education adopted.

Beulah church asked for a letter of dismission from Buncombe County Association to unite with the French Broad. The letter was granted.

By motion the body agreed to meet tomorrow at 9 instead of 9:30 o'clock. Adjourned.

AT NIGHT.

Rev. J. T. Betts preached a good sermon on the subject, "The safety of the saints." Text, John 10:28.

THIRD DAY—THURSDAY, AUG. 15, 1895.

The Association re-assembled at 9 o'clock. Thirty minutes were spent in devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. F. M Presley. The Association was then called to order by the Moderator and the minutes of the preceding day read and approved.

The following report was submitted:

STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

Your committee on the state of the churches report that the letters from the churches that were read before this Association show most of the churches to be in a lukewarm state. There have not been so many conversions and baptisms in the past year as there have commonly been. The collections for the different objects have not been what they ought to have been. The poor of our churches are too much neglected. Too many of our members neglect to attend their church meetings and Sunday-schools. Would recommend that all of our churches have prayer-meetings at least once a week. Would further recommend that there be a working along all of these lines.

W. T. BRADLEY,
J. W. NASH.

After remarks on the report by Bro. Bradley it was adopted. Just here it was suggested by Rev. A. I. Justice that the Association aid in supporting Bro. J. R. Owen at Wake Forest College. The brethren responded liberally and the following pledges for his support were given: Beaverdam, $6; Rev. A. I. Justice, 10; Hominy, 5; Berea, 5, Bent Creek, 5; Gash's Creek, 5; Flat Creek, 5; T. P. Brookshire, 5; Fair View B. Y. P. U., 5; T. K. Brown, 5; J. L. White, 5. The following pledged one dollar each: J. M. Davis, Rev. T. C. King, Rev. F. M. Presley, A. J. Miller. Total, $65.

Rev. A. I. Justice brought before the Association the condition of Fair View College, and a motion was made to pay for said college or give it back into the hands of the former owner. This was made a special order for the afternoon session.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The committee on Temperance made the following report:

As we think of the many homes that are darkened and the many hearts that are saddened by the great king of evils, to-wit, strong drink, we can think of nothing that brings more sorrow and sadness than does this great evil. But we are glad to find so many fighting this evil, and sorry that there are yet so many that are neutral in this matter who claim to be Christians. We believe it to be the unbounded duty of every man, and especially every Christian, to take a decided stand for God, against all intoxicating drinks. We therefore ask that this body recommend all churches composing the same to place their veto on dram drinking, and to use all their efforts and energy to bring about and perfect as much as possible the great reformation that is being agitated throughout our country, to-wit, prohibition.

F. M. PRESSLEY.

Revs. F. M. Pressley and J. T. Betts spoke on the report. Adopted. The committee on Foreign Missions submitted the following:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We beg leave to report that while the spirit of missions seems to be increasing, yet there is but little being done to convert the heathen, as compared with our means and opportunities. "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," is a command as binding today as it was upon the Disciples at the time Jesus gave the command, and is as binding as is the command to believe and be baptized. It is a command of our blessed Lord, and must be obeyed if we would be faithful. We can thank God that even now He is giving to His Son the heathen for His inheritance and the uttermost parts of the earth for His possession. We have churches in Africa, 4; Brazil, 14; China, 16; Italy, 18; Japan, 7; Mexico, 32. Grand total, 85 churches. Reports show that in these churches there were during last year 581 baptisms. In this vast territory we have 91 missionaries; 51 of them are females. In these churches there are 3,493 members, an increase of 570 over the previous year. Brethren, what are we doing as individuals? The responsibility of this Association is an individual responsibility. What are we doing to support the 91 missionaries in the field? There are 59 native helpers besides these. Oh! remember the millons that are perishing for the bread of life. This State is asked by the Southern Board to contribute $9,000. There are 55 Associations reported in the State. According to these figures, if equally apportioned, it would give this Association about $163.35. Brethren, the heathen must inevitably be lost without the Gospel. Rom. 10:17: "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." Rom. 10:14: "How shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard, and how shall they hear without a preacher? Rom. 10:15: "And how shall they preach except they be sent?"

T. K. Brown.

Rev. J. L. White preached an able sermon on missions. Text, Matt, 28:19-20.

After the sermon a collection for Foreign Missions was taken, which amounted to $8. Churches then pledged for Foreign Missions as follows: French Broad, $50; Big Ivy, 5; Berea, 10; Antioch, 5; Fair View, 10; Hominy, 10; Morgan Hill, 10; Mount Carmel, 10; Trinity, 2.50; White Rock, 5; Avery's Creek, 5; Beulah, 2.50; Flat Creek, 10. Total, $135. By motion the report on Foreign Missions was adopted.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association called to order by Moderator. W. M. Murray offered prayer. F. M. Williams was appointed to examine Treasurer's report. The committee on Finance offered the following:

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Your committee on Finance beg leave to report the receipt of $29 70 for minutes. First Church, Asheville, $5; Avery's Creek, 1; Antioch, 1.60; Beulah, .50; Bent Creek, 1.10; Big Ivy, 1.25; Berea, .80; Brown's Chapel, .50; Beaverdam, .75; Cane Creek, 1.70; Flat Creek, 1.55; Fern Hill, 1; French Broad, 2; Hominy, 1.50; Locust Grove, 1.10; Mount Carmel, 2; Morgan Hill, 1.60; Oak Grove, .65; Pleasant Hill, .25;

Sulphur Springs, .50; Spring Mountain, .60; Trinity, .50; Bethel, 1.20; Liberty, 1.05. Total, $29.70.

JAS. J. GREENWOOD,
WYLY ROBERTS.

Report adopted. Rev. W. T. Bradley, Historian, submitted the following:

HISTORIAN'S REPOT.

The last session of our Association was held with the Baptist church at Biltmore, Aug. 11 to 17, 1894. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. S. J. Morgan from 1 Cor. 3:9. We had a very spiritual meeting. Bro. R. T. Bryan, from China, was with us and preached a splendid sermon on the subject of Foreign Missions. At that meeting funds were secured to send Miss Lottie Price to China, who soon thereafter sailed with Brother Bryan and others. Bro. Finch, who was then pastor at Fern Hill, resigned and went away, and the church called Bro. A. E. Brown. Bro. J. L. White resigned the care of First Church, Asheville, and Dr. Felix is now pastor of the church. Bro. J T. Betts has been called to the French Broad church, Asheville Bro. A. I. Justice has become pastor of the church at Berea. Bro. T. C King has moved from Yancey County into our bounds and is preaching for Morgan Hill church. The First church at Asheville has built a parsonage at a cost of about $3.000. Liberty church has been constituted in the last year, and, old Bethel church re-organized. Prof. W. H. Rich, of Haywood County, has moved into our midst and will take charge of Antioch Seminary. The letters show 132 baptisms in the churches in the past year. We are not able to know how many of our lay-brethren have died in the past year. We know some several have gone to their rewards. One we will mention is our Brother, E. H. Wright, of Asheville, who was a member of the Mission Board. The Lord has been merciful to the ministers of this Association. There has not been a single death among them during the past year. Bro. ministers, let us thank God and go forward.

W. T. BRADLEY.

The report was adopted. The following brethren were appointed on the Executive Board to act with the officers of the Association, as Constitution provides: J. W. Nash, C. S. Cooper, and J. H. Tucker. Board of Trustees for Fair View Collegiate Institute as ordered by the Association: E. J. Morgan, Dr. J. S. Felix, T. C. King, R. A. Morgan, J. W. Nash.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING AUG. 14, 1895.

Aug. 16, E. B. Stradley, balance from last year,		$ 1 23
Oak Grove church, foreign missions,		2 90
Association, minute fund,		27 30
Sept 25, Collected at Y. P. U., Miss Price,		2 00
Oct. 12, Flat Creek church, Miss Price's traveling exp.,		3 45
20, Minute fund,		5 00
Mar. 2, E. B. Stradley, ministerial education,		7 00
26, Avery's Creek ch., " "		2 00
Mar. 8, 1895. Flat Creek, J. M. McElery,		4 17
26, Beaverdam, for Bro. Pressley,		6 12
May 13, S. S. First ch., Asheville, for Bro. Deaver,		15 00
13, " " " " " Orphanage,		15 00
		$91 17
Dec. 2, '94, Paid Rev. James Bassett,	$ 4 13	
Sept 18, Paid R. J. Stokely,	27 30	
18, " "	5 00	
26, Paid J. E. Dickerson,	2 00	

"	E. B. Stradley,	3 45
Dec 15,	" A. I. Justice,	9 00
9,	" R. E. L. Campbell,	4 17
Mar 28,	" Dr. John Mitchell,	21 12
"	Treasurer Hall,	15 00
		$91 17

J. M. STONER, Treas.

The motion which was made in the forenoon in regard to paying for Fair View College, and made a special order for the afternoon, was here taken up and discussed, and a motion was made to appoint a committee to draft resolutions. The motion carried and a committee consisting of J. H. Tucker, A. I. Justice, E. J. Morgan was appointed. The committee submitted the following:

RESOLUTIONS IN REGARD TO FAIRVIEW COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

Whereas, at its annual session in 1892, at Flat Creek, the Buncombe County Baptist Association did agree to and with Jason Ashworth, in good faith, to receive the property of the Fair View Collegiate Institute and to pay the debt thereon, to-wit, $2,300, which amount was evidenced by note to said Ashworth and secured by deed in trust on the property;

And, whereas, G. W. Purefoy was appointed a special trustee of the Association at its said session, with instruction and power to purchase and hold the said Fair View Collegiate Institute in trust for the Association until the said debt should be paid or provided for;

And, whereas, the said debt has been provided for, with the exception of $854, which amount is still due on said property by said Association to said Ashworth;

And, whereas, the said Association is anxious to pay off said debt without further delay;

Resolved, that this Association now in session do urgently request the members of this body to take steps immediately to raise and pay off this debt within the next three months.

Resolved, that a committee, consisting of A. I. Justice, E. Judson Morgan and J. H. Tucker, be, and they are hereby, appointed a committee to lay this matter before the members of this Association, and to raise all the money they possibly can on this debt within the next three months, and if they should fail to raise the whole amount within that time, the said committee is hereby authorized and instructed to borrow the balance unpaid, on such terms as in their discretion they may deem best to save the property; and to secure the same, this Association in session does hereby authorize and instruct said G. W. Purefoy, as trustee, to execute a deed of trust on the property of the said Fair View Collegiate Institute to secure the money the said committee shall borrow; and in case the said committee shall fail to raise the said sum of $854 through the churches or individuals, then the said G. W. Purefoy is hereby authorized and instructed to re-convey the title to the said Fair View Collegiate Institute to the said Jason Ashworth in full discharge of the debt and obligation of the said Association to said Ashworth for said property. In case the said debt is paid off in full the said G. W. Purefoy, trustee, is hereby authorized and instructed to convey the said Fair View Collegiate Institute to the board of education of the Buncombe County Baptist Association or its trustees.

J. H. TUCKER.

Adopted. Pledges for Fair View Collegiate Institute were then given as follows: Rev. J. W. Anderson, $5; First Baptist S. S., 25; Fair View, 5; J. T.

Betts, 5; J. M. Stoner, 5; J. W. Nash, 5; Jas. Allen, 1; Rev. T. M. Honeycutt, 5: J. W. Anderson, (for Gash's Creek), 10. Total, $66.

A motion prevailed that A. C. Durham, Clerk of the Association, be paid the sum of ten dollars for his services as Clerk and writing up the minutes, having same printed and distributed, and that he be instructed to draw on the Executive Board for any additional money needed in paying for having minutes printed.

A resolution was passed thanking the good people of this community for their lavish hospitality in entertaining this Association.

After singing, "Blest be the tie that binds," the Association adjourned to meet with Mount Carmel church, Tuesday before the 3rd Sunday in Aug., 1896.

E. J. MORGAN, Moderator.

A. C. DURHAM, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I—NAME.

SECTION 1. This body shall be known as the 'Buncombe County Baptist Association."

ARTICLE II—CONSTITUENCY.

SEC. 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist church in Buncombe County, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for: *Provided, however*, that any church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

SEC 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor, and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five

ARTICLE III—OFFICERS.

SEC. 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot; the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

SEC. 2 The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV—OBJECT

SEC. 1. It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the cooperation of the Western Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday-schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

Article V—Committees and Trustees.

Sec. 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Associational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance and Sunday-schools, and each committee shall submit a written report upon the subject assigned at the next annual Association.

Sec. 2. The Moderator shall also appoint a committee on the Order of Business, Finance, Time and Place and Annual Sermon of the next Association and such other committees as the Association may direct, which committees shall report, in writing, on the subject assigned while the Association is in session.

Sec. 3. That the Association shall elect a Board of Trustees, consisting of fifteen members, one-third of whom shall hold their office for one year; one-third shall hold for two years, and one-third for three years. That the first five members appointed on the list of Trustees are elected for one year, the second five for two years and the third five for three years. All vacancies occurring in said Board of Trustees by death resignation or expiration of term shall be filled by re-election at the next annual Association. That said Board of Trustees so elected shall constitute the Board of Education of the Buncombe County Association, and shall be empowered to receive donations and hold property, both real and personal, for educational purposes; to procure charters for educational institutions and to take all necessary legal action for the furtherance of education within the Association. Said Board shall further assume and take possession, control and supervision of all school property belonging to the Association; shall establish schools and report their acts and recommendations to the meetings of the annual Associations for ratification. Said Board shall have no power to purchase property and contract debts but by the authority and consent of a two-thirds vote of the Association in its annual meetings. The officers of said Board shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and an Executive Board, whose duty shall be such as is common to such officers, or such as shall be defined or designated by the Board for its government and work; said Board shall fix the time and place of its annual meetings, but the President and Secretary and three members of the Board may call a meeting at such time and place as they think best for the transaction of such business as may be necessary at the time.

Article VI—Executive Board.

Sec. 1. This body shall, at each annual session, appoint an Executive Board, consisting of three judicious and active brethren with the officers of the Association as ex officio members, whose duty it shall be to cooperate with the Mission Board of the Western Baptist Convention in supplying the destitution within our bounds.

Article VII—Church Letters.

Sec. 1. The church letter shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their postoffice; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of the members, time of prayer-meeting, amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday-school and Bible Missions, and if for any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday-school to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in school; name and postoffice of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII—BY-LAWS.

SEC. 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Meil's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE IX—MEETING.

SEC. 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X—PRINTING.

SEC. 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of the Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them

ARTICLE XI—CORRESPONDENCE.

SEC. 1. This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII—FAITH.

SEC. 1. This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

SEC. 2. As an abstract of Faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII—AMENDMENT.

SEC. 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Fourteenth Annual Session

OF THE

Buncombe County Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE

MOUNT CARMEL BAPTIST CHURCH,

Aug. 11, 12 and 13, 1896.

(Notes and Comments by the Clerk.)

OFFICERS.

MODERATOR, - - - -	J. P. Morgan, - -	Asheville, N. C.
CLERK, - - - - -	John W. Starnes,	Asheville, N. C.
TREASURER, - - - -	J. M. Stoner, - -	Asheville, N. C.
HISTORIAN, - -	Rev. W. T. Bradley, -	Morgan Hill, N. C.

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Ordained Ministers.

J. W. Anderson, Asheville.
J. S. Felix, D. D., Asheville.
W. T. Bradley, Morgan Hill.
S. J. Morgan, Morgan Hill.
E. J. Morgan, Candler.
A. I. Justice, Emma.
A. E. Brown, Asheville.
M. Sluder, Emma.
W. M. Murray, Riceville.
T. K. Brown, Black Mountain.
L. Y. Israel, Dunsmore.
B. B. Riddle, Pensacola.
W. T. Springs, Inanda.
Dr. A. S. Whitaker, Biltmore.
F. M. Presley, Biltmore.
J. C. Cordell, Beach.
S. F. Moore, Fairview.
J. C. Owen, Fairview.
W. Haynes, Asheville.
James Plemmons, Inanda.
S. C. Owen, Candler.
G. W. Gasnell, Ownby.
M. S. Proffit, Democrat.
W. H. Gibson, Biltmore.
M. P. Matheny, Asheville.
M. A. Adams, Asheville.

The next session will be held with Hominy Church, beginning Tuesday before the third Sunday in August, 1897.

PROCEEDINGS.

MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH, August 11, 1896.

The Buncombe County Baptist Association met this day in its fourteenth annual session, in Mount Carmel Baptist Church, six miles west of Asheville. The Moderator, Clerk and preacher of the introductory sermon were not present. All had been detained by sickness.

On motion, J. P. Morgan was made Moderator pro tem., Dr. L. N. Durham, Clerk pro tem., and Rev. M. P. Matheny was requested to preach the annual sermon, which he did from the 8th chapter of Romans. The sermon was full of Gospel truth and most fitting to the occasion.

At 12:30 recess was taken for one hour, during which time dinner was served on the ground.

FIRST DAY.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The temporary Moderator called the body to order. Prayer by W. H. Gibson.

The Chair appointed S. C. Owen and John W. Starnes to act as reading clerks.

On call of the Moderator, letters were presented by delegates from the different churches composing the body. These letters were read, in full, by the reading clerks. For general statistics see

tabulated report. Here is a list of churches with delegates' names:

Bent Creek—James Plemmons, J. J. Allen, N. B. Creasman, T. V. Green, Samuel Lance and T. Stradley.

Bethel—A. A. Ingle, H. P. Rich and H. C. Ingle.

Pleasant Hill—S. B. Moore, T. H. Revis and James Moore.

Antioch—W. T. Bradley, J. H. Woodward, P. M. Lovin, J. J. Greenwood, S. E. Carter, E. B. Goldsmith, J. W. Arrowood, W. A. Carter, T. V. Forester and M. S. Proffit.

Hominy—T. C. King, S. C. Owen, James J. Greenwood, L. S. Clark, J. J. Miller, N. J. Woody, J. G. Morgan and R. H. Hyatt.

Berea—A. I. Justice, T. B. Swann, James Cordell and G. B. Shope.

West End (Asheville)—A. E. Brown, L. N. Durham, L. B. McBrayer, W. A. Hayes, J. P. Morgan, A. C. Durham, W. J. Hough, W. N. Ballard, W. E. Logan and Thomas Phillips.

New Salem—Not represented.

Big Ivy—J. U. Jay, Kelsey Buckner, A. M. Burlison, S. J. Carter, W. H. Hurst and E. C. Maney.

White Rock—L. Y. Israel and W. M. Jones.

Mount Carmel—J. M. Hayes, T. P. Brookshire, L. R. Knight, L. Plemmons, A. E. Ingle, J. N. Hayes, J. H. Miller and D. S. Sluder.

Morgan Hill—S. J. Morgan, Luther Burnett, F. L. Stockton and W. J. Goldsmith.

Cane Creek—E. J. Harrell, J. C. Roberson, J. L. Ashworth, W. H. Early, Henry Grant, J. R. Pinkerton and E. M. Ownby.

French Broad (Asheville)—W. Ward, S. P. Davis and M. A. Adams.

Fern Hill—J. A. Porter, T. J. Reed and W. H. Gibson.

Mount Olivet—R. A. Stuart and Alfred Randall.

Beaverdam—W. E. Masters, J. T. Justice, C. S. Cooper and Edwin P. Stradley.

Liberty—J. H. Holcomb, J. W. Green, Wilson Green and R. G. Young.

Flat Creek—L. J. Williams, A. Lockhart, W. S. Roberts, S. F. Wild, J. R. Taylor, J. T. Myers and J. B. Roberts.

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(Declined Re-election)

Spring Mountain—S. W. Guffey, B. P. Chatham and N. A. Wright.

First Church (Asheville)—J. S. Felix, J. W. Anderson, M. P. Matheny, J. H. Tucker, J. R. Rich, W. C. McConnell, W. H. Farrar, John W. Starnes, C. B. Deaver, C. C. Mathews, M. M. Lemmond, J. M. Stoner, W. D. Justice and P. M. Hudgins.

Trinity—J. W. Jones and C. N. McKinney.

Gash's Creek—E. M. Sales, J. A. Brookshire, R. M. Sales, J. A. Sales, D. E. Sales and G. C. Sorrels.

It was ascertained that all the churches were represented except New Salem.

Permanent organization was then announced, by the Chair, to be in order. Election of officers for the year resulted as follows: Moderator, John Permintor Morgan; Clerk, John W. Starnes; Treasurer, J. M. Stoner, Asheville, N. C., and for Historian, Rev. W. T. Bradly, Morgan Hill, N. C.

Corresponding delegates and visiting brethren were invited. The following responded:

Prof. W. L. Poteat, of Wake Forest College; Rev. W. M. Jamison, of Yancy County; Prof. S. W. Hall, late of Thomasville Orphanage; M. E. Hayes, of New Found Association, and W. W. Jones, of Louisville, Ky.

The Chair appointed committees as follows:

Sunday-Schools—L. Y. Israel, W. S. Roberts and T. Stradley.

Home and Conventional Missions—A. I. Justice, T. C. King.

Orphanage—S. W. Hall, James Plemmons and J. T. Myers.

Education—W. L. Poteat, Hiram Rich and S. C. Owen.

Foreign Missions—M. A. Adams, W. H. Gibson and L. N. Durham.

Temperance—W. D. Justice, W. Ward and M. P. Matheny.

Periodicals—E. P. Stradley, S. J. Morgan, J. H. Woodward.

Finance—J. M. Stoner, L. Plemmons, J. M. Hayes.

A. I. Justice moved the establishment of a new committee to be known as a Committee on "Associational Missions." Carried. The Chair appointed A. I. Justice, Jesse R. Owen and S. C. Owen.

On motion, the Committee on "State of the Churches" was discontinued.

Committee on Religious Worship—Pastor and delegates of Mt. Carmel Church, C. C. Mathews and W. J. Goldsmith.

On motion, Moderator Morgan was made chairman of the Committee on "Time and Place." Other members of this committee were named as follows: J. H. Woodward, J. R. Taylor and M. J. Woody.

M. A. Adams moved that a special committee of three be appointed to consider the propriety and report on establishing a permanent Committee on "Worn out Ministers." Carried, and the Chair appointed M. A. Adams and J. H. Tucker.

Homes were then assigned to delegates and visitors, announcements made and the body adjourned to meet at 9 a. m. to-morrow.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Met at 9 a. m., with the Moderator in the chair and the Clerk at his desk.

Devotional exercises led by Rev. W. H. Rich. Song, "Jesus Lover of My Soul." Prayer by Rev. M. P. Matheny for a special blessing on the Moderator, Clerk, delegates and churches represented. Read 8th chapter II Corinthians.

On motion, it was ordered that all titles be left off from names of delegates as they appeared in routine business.

Corresponding brethren were then invited. Rev. W. H. Rich, of Thomasville, and Rev. T. M. Honeycutt, of Mars Hill, responded.

The Chair called for letters, if any. None reported.

Report of committees:

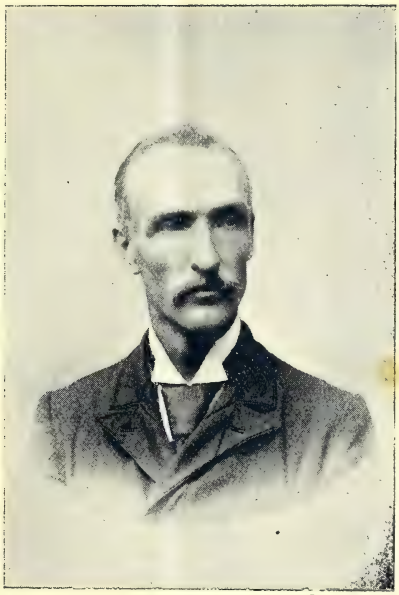
"Periodicals," by Edwin P. Stradley.

Remarks by W. Ward, M. P. Matheny, W. H. Gibson and W. H. Rich.

The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS.

Baptists are a people that read and do their own thinking. The Christian



REV. AMOS I. JUSTICE,
PRESIDED IN 1890, 1891, 1892.

press has been blessed of God in spreading the Gospel. Those persons who read religious papers are always our most progressive workers, and are the easiest to enlist in a good cause. The religious paper is the pastor's greatest earthly helper, and he should endeavor to place it in every home in his charge.

We are glad to commend to you the "Southern Baptist," the organ of our Convention, a paper full of information and sound of doctrine. We are also glad to commend the "Biblical Recorder" and "Charity and Children."

E. P. STRADLEY,
S. J. MORGAN,
Committee.

On motion, preaching at 11 o'clock to-day was dispensed with.

Report of committees continued:

"Home and Conventional Missions," by A. I. Justice.

Remarks by S. C. Owen, M. P. Matheny, W. Ward, A. I. Justice and J. S. Felix.

Brother Owen said: "Our churches are all behind with their giving and our Board is in debt. The thing to do now is—go to giving. Our obligations must be met. Our Christian honor is at stake," etc.

J. S. Felix said: "One of the most difficult things in this work, that I see, is the transition. It is hard to change. If a man will just think that the Lord has blessed him and that he owed something to the Lord he would soon find out that it is a real luxury to give. We should give from conviction. The people will warm up. Complaining will stop. Serve the Lord from principle. With the loyal Christian it is a principle not dependent so much on warming up. Give from principle and keep books on the matter. Some day we must render our account. If the account is not correct the Lord knows it. We must not stop with giving five dollars if we can give ten dollars. Give ten dollars and be cheerful. The question is one of ability and loyalty to God. Give what you can, large or small."

Collection was taken for Home and Conventional Missions amounting to $6, and pledges as follows:

First Church, Asheville	$100 00
Bent Creek	5 00
Fern Hill	10 00
French Broad	25 00
Hominy	10 00

Mt. Carmel	10 00
Trinity	2 00
White Rock	5 00
Pleasant Hill	2 00
Beaverdam	10 00
Fairview	10 00
Brown's Chapel	2 50
Flat Creek	4 00
Liberty	2 00
Morgan Hill	5 00
Big Ivy	5 00
Barea	10 00
Gash's Creek	5 00

The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON HOME AND CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS

Home Missions, with us, means the work done by the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Its territory is all of the Southern States, the Indian Territorv and Cuba. This Board is a great factor in the progress of the Baptist cause in this country. By the labor of its missionaries nearly three thousand churches have been constituted. It has added over two hundred thousand members to our churches and built more than one thousand houses of worship. The war in Cuba is greatly hindering our work in that field at this time.

The Home Board abundantly deserves our sympathy and help.

By Conventional Missions we mean the mission work of the Board of the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention.

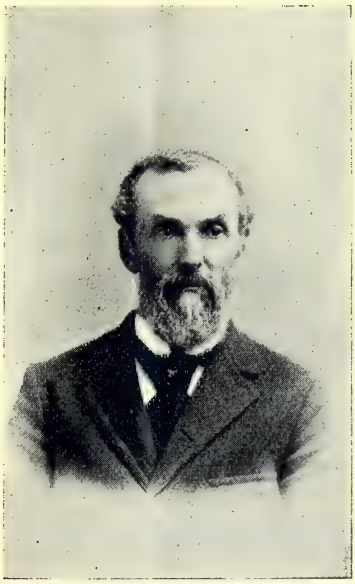
The object of this Board is to preach the Gospel in the destitute fields of its territory, to scatter religious literature among the people and to place the Bible in homes where they have it not.

The Board decided at the beginning of this year to combine the work of Corresponding Secretary and Sunday-school Missionary. Rev. S. C. Owen was the man on whom this double weight of responsibility was placed Brother Owen has been working with untiring energy—holding institutes, visiting the destitute fields and trying to inaugurate a better system of giving among the churches.

We especially recommend to the churches of this Association Brother Owen's plan of distributing cards among the members with a view to a more systematic and scriptural method of giving. Brother Owen has had a large number of these cards printed and will furnish them to the churches desiring to use them.

The reports from the missionaries this year are very encouraging—the work at Murphy especially. This work, under the wise leadership and untiring zeal of Rev. T. Bright, is growing rapidly.

The Board is suffering greatly for the want of funds. The salaries of our



HON. JOHN P. MORGAN,
PRESIDED 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889 AND AGAIN IN 1896.

missionaries are not paid and the Board is helpless to pay them except as the churches furnish the means.

Will not the churches of this Association make one grand rally for the relief of our Board?

Respectfully submitted,

A. I. JUSTICE,
Chairman.

The body then adjourned for a recess of one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association assembled at 1:30 o'clock, and the reports of committees was continued.

"Education," by W. L. Poteat.

Remarks by W. L. Poteat, John W. Starnes, M. P. Matheny, M. A. Adams, T. M. Honeycutt and S. W. Hall.

John W. Starnes moved to amend as follows: Strike out all after figure 2 down to "Endowed Academies," and insert in lieu the following:

2. *Higher.*—While we favor the maintenance of primary schools by the State, we do not think that public exigencies demand appropriations by the State to higher education.

We believe it to be our duty as Baptists to resist the further extension of this policy, and in all right ways to hasten the substitution for it of the voluntary principle in higher education.

The amendment was adopted. Then the report as amended was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Article IV of the constitution of this Association names Education among the objects of its organization.

Education by the State: 1. *Primary*—During the last census period the actual number of illiterates in North Carolina was notably decreased, and the percentage of illiteracy fell from 48.3 to 35.7. We still, however, stand in the lowest class of the States in respect of popular education. Under present conditions the great majority of the children are dependent upon the State for instruction in the rudiments of education, and so long as these conditions prevail we favor and would encourage in all possible ways the system of public schools maintained by the State. But inasmuch as the constitutional limit of taxation for

this purpose is inadequate to meet the pressing necessity, we would urge that the principle of local taxation be applied to supplement the school fund.

2. *Higher.*—While we favor the maintenance of primary schools by the State, we do not think that public exigencies demand appropriations by the State to higher education.

We believe it to be our duty as Baptist to resist the further extension of this policy, and in all right ways to hasten the substitution for it of the voluntary principle in higher education.

Endowed Academies.—Without the academy, the college either languishes or loses its character. The same reasons which have led to the endowment of colleges, apply with equal force to the endowment of the academy. Ought not the Association, as such, to foster one or more academies within its borders and seek to bring them up to the highest point of efficiency?

We commend to the patronage of the brethren the following institutions: Fair View, Antioch Seminary, Mars Hill, Bell View, Clyde.

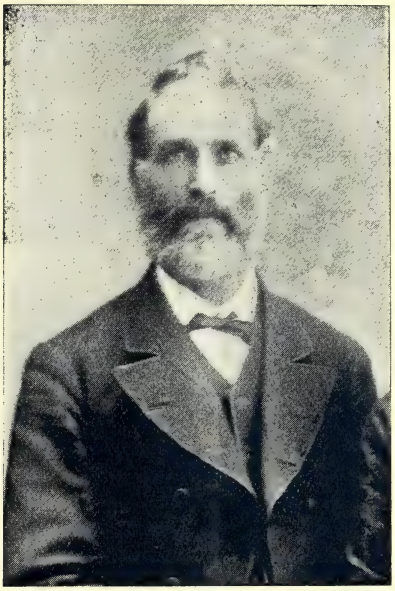
Wake Forrest College.—The past session was in some respects the most successful one which our College has ever had. The number of students enrolled was the highest ever reached in its history—260. The Law School clearly established its right to be. The effort to endow the William Royall Chair of English was conducted to a satisfactory end. The long-cherished hope of many has been realized in the provisional establishment of Bible instruction in the regular college course. A positive Christian atmosphere was maintained, and the session was marked by one of the most pervasive and thorough revival seasons ever known in the College. It is right that the Association should know that no college in the South is more highly regarded by the country at large for its work and influence than is Wake Forest College. But as it grows its needs multiply. We commend the College to the brethren.

Education of Ministers—If the rank and file of our people are to be educated, it follows that their leaders in all Christian thought and activity must be. Many of those whose duty it is to assume this weighty responsibility cannot meet the expenses of a course in college. The Convention created the Board of Education to assist them. The extent of the work of that Board is dependent on the contributions of the churches. Of late it has been curtailed of necessity, many applications being denied, and yet the contributions have been insufficient to meet the obligations assumed by the Board. Thirty-five young men were aided last session. About thirty have been received for the coming session. The needs of the Board are pressing. The question for the churches to decide is whether we shall still further decrease the work of the Board or enter joyfully the open door of enlarging opportunity.

W. L. POTEAT,
S. C. OWEN,
H. P. RICH,
Committee

"Care of Worn Out Ministers," by M. A. Adams.

The report was adopted as follows:



REV. LEROY W SAMS.
PRESIDED IN 1883, 1884.

We, your Committee on "Care of Worn Out Ministers," report that the best thing to do is to appoint a committee of three to prepare a plan of work and report it to the Convention at Brevard for consideration at its next meeting.

Adopted. The Chair appointed M. A. Adams, J. H. Tucker and A. I. Justice.

"Temperance," bv W. D. Justice.

Remarks by W. D. Justice, W. Ward and J. F. Cheek.

Colonel Justice said: "Moderator, drunkenness is a monster evil of the times. I believe in temperance. I am a prohibitionist. Men can not bear the temptation. It must be removed. With me this question is paramount to every other. Could I bring prohibition by it my vote should be cast against silver, even, and the financial government continue to go hopping along on one leg."

W. Ward and J. F. Cheek made eloquent appeals for temperance. They both advocated prohibition in forcible terms

The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee are glad to report the cause of temperance on rising ground. The discouraging feature of the question is the division among the friends of this noble reform, some being in favor of the suppression of this infamous traffic by legal suasion and some by moral suasion. It would be a great point gained if only all who are opposed to the business could all see eye to eye and speak the same thing. As we cannot see alike let us not hinder the good cause by wrangling among ourselves. Let us go on manufacturing sentiment against the monster, each his own way. The question which concerns this body is the maintenance of strict discipline in our church. To this end we urge all of our Churches to guard carefully the purity of their membership and see to it that no member retains membership who is even a moderate dram drinker—much less a drunkard.

W. D. JUSTICE,
Chairman.

At the suggestion of A. I. Justice, the following pledges were taken to aid Hiram Rich in school, viz: W. S. Hall, Principal Antioch school, tuition for one year and one month's board; J. H. Tucker, $5; John W. Starnes, $5; J. R. Rich, $5; Fern Hill Church, $5; J. M. Brookshire, $5; J. M. Stoner, $5; Bent Creek Church, $2.50; Mt. Carmel, $5; James H. Cordell, $2.50.

The Moderator was requested to see to the collections of the above pledges.

Here the presiding officer, always in harmony with, and a

great favorite of, the body, expressed his high appreciation of the kind hospitalities of the Mt. Carmel folk, and assured the delegations that a happy welcome awaited everyone among all the families of the settlement, regardless of creed or church affiliations.

Announcements were made and the body adjourned to 9 a. m. to-morrow.

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The Association assembled at 9 a. m., with the Moderator in the chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by W. W. Jones, of Mississippi.

He read the 12th chapter of Romans. Prayer. Thanks for blessings and mercies, and invoked a continuation of the same. He asked for wisdom from on high and that our deliberations should be a success in the uplifting of our fellow-man toward God.

Song, "Alas and Did My Saviour Bleed," with chorus "At the Cross," etc.

The clerk moved that the Moderator now serving, and all others who had occupied the Chair before this session, be requested to furnish the clerk with a cut of themselves, that their pictures may appear with the minutes of this meeting.

On motion, a committee was appointed on Time and Place for "Union Meeting." This is the committee: M. A. Adams, T. C. King and S. J. Morgan.

Preaching was ordered at 11 a. m. to-day.

Speeches were limited to twenty minutes to chairmen and five minutes to other speakers.

Report of committees continued.

"Time and Place," by J. P. Morgan and N. J. Woody.

Place—Hominy Baptist Church.

Time—Tuesday before the third Sunday in August 1897. Introductory sermon to be preached by M. A. Adams; alternate, W. H. Gibson.

REV. ALBERT E. BROWN.
PRESIDED 1893, 1894.

"Foreign Missions," by M. A. Adams and W. H. Gibson.

Remarks by M. A. Adams, W. H. Gibson and S. W. Hall.

M. A. Adams said: "The heathen is lost without God. Do we have the real joy of serving the Lord outside of a selfish feeling? There is a true unselfish feeling which is for the highest development of Christian grace in us and for the glory of God—an effort to save the heathen who lives far away. If we build churches and support the Gospel at home we favor our social condition as well as religious. That is good. But the Bible says nothing of Buncombe County. 'Go into all the world.' This great work tends to unify the whole people of God. The women are becoming leaders in this great work—thank God. It is remarkable what women and children do for missions. Success will come if the pastors lead."

Rev. M. A. Jenkins, of Georgia; W N. Martin and T. J. Woody, of New Found Association, and E. J. Harrell, of Fairview, were recognized as visiting brethren.

Discussion continued.

W. H. Gibson said: "God has placed it upon us to foster this work among the heathen. In China we have four hundred million people in darkness, looking to us for the bread of life. As the Gospel of life enters China we see the children liberated from death."

The speaker referred to Africa, Brazil and other mission fields, and heard the command of God—"Go," and the call "Come and help us." "God will bless us in this work if we go in the spirit of Christ."

S. W. Hall said: "If we would think more about the condition of the heathen we would do more for him. We must talk mission more among our people."

The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, beg leave to submit the following report:

Realizing the importance of our Foreign Mission work, and that our Lord has placed the responsibility upon us of giving the Gospel to the world, we, therefore commend to our Association this work, first, because the condition of the heathen demand it; second, because its reflex influences promote spiritual

life in our Churches and our own hearts; third, because in so doing we manifest our loyalty to our Lord's commands.

We also most heartily commend the work as prosecuted through our Foreign Mission Board, and that, for an intelligent comprehension of the demands of the fields and the nature and extent of the work done, we suggest the reading of the Foreign Mission Journal and Literature published by Central Committee Missionary Rooms. Also that our pastors preach regularly upon Missions. We further recommend the organization and promotion of the Woman's Missionary Societies, and believe this to be the best means of reaching and enlisting our sisters in this work.

M. A. ADAMS,
W. H. GIBSON.
Committee.

The following was offered by A. I. Justice:

Whereas, The churches which sent out Miss Lottie Price as a missionary have suggested that we join them in supporting her, in order that they may be the better able to aid in other objects, be it therefore

RESOLVED, That this Association adopt her as its missionary.

Adopted.

The following are the pledges for Foreign Missions:

First Church	$100 00
Beaverdam Sunday-School	15 00
Berea Church	10 00
Brown's Chapel	1 00
Cane Creek	10 00
French Broad	25 00
Flat Creek	4 00
Fern Hill	25 00
Morgan Hill	5 00
Pleasant Hill	2 00
Spring Mountain	1 00
Gash's Creek	5 00
Mt. Carmel	13 38
Hominy	10 00
White Rock	5 00
Mt. Olivet	1 00
Antioch	5 00
Big Ivy	5 00
Bent Creek	2 50

Time having come for preaching the transaction of business suspended to hear W. H. Rich preach from Romans, first chapter and sixteenth verse.

He said in part: "This is Paul, the great Gentile missionary, speaking. He is anxious to preach in Rome, the center of influ

REV. E. JUDSON MORGAN.

PRESIDED 1895. DETAINED BY SICKNESS 1896.

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ence, population and power. With Rome as a center the stream of influence could flow out to all the regions.

"He is not ashamed of the author of the Gospel—Christ. (1) Christ is the noblest on earth; (2) He is the greatest of Heaven; (3) Jesus Christ had been good to Paul, in that he showed mercy and gave him grace to help.

"He is not ashamed of the aim of the Gospel for it is the highest, noblest, best.

"It purifies society, hearts, minds, kingdoms, nations—everything it touches. It saves all who accept it. Brethren, love it. Send it to all mankind. Keep it in your homes and before your neighbors. Be loyal to the Gospel and preach it plainly."

The body then adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Report of Committees continued.

"Orphanage," by S. W. Hall and James Plemmons.

Remarks by S. W. Hall, W. H. Gibson, and W H. Rich.

S. W. Hall said: "We can't say all that ought to be said about the Orphanage. The Baptists have a right to know about their institution. It seems so far off, but its a real thing. It exists a real institution for children who have no parents. It has been running for ten years and now has five buildings for children as well as other buildings for offices, infirmary, printing office, etc. There are now in the Orphanage one hundred and forty-four children. There is not room enough, but a central building is now in process of building, to cost about five thousand dollars. Many more orphans are needing room there. The institution can only take the neediest. Children are taught to spell, read, plow, cook, sew, and, indeed, many useful arts. It is now proposed to start small factories. Children are taught to make a living in an intelligent, Christian way."

W. H. Gibson said: "My little boy may be left fatherless. So may yours. Some children have been so left. The Orphanage is their home."

W. H. Rich said: "It would be well to adopt one day in a month in all Sunday-schools to raise money for the Orphanage.

By taking the Orphanage "Charity and Children" you will help us. The institution is growing. We need help. It takes seven hundred dollars per month to run the institution."

The following pledges were taken for the Orphanage:

West End Church	$10 00
First Church	20 00
French Broad Church	25 00
Fern Hill Sunday-School	10 00
Cane Creek Church and Sunday-School	10 00
Hominy Church	5 00
Gash's Creek	5 00
Barea Church	5 00
Beaverdam Church and Sunday-School	10 00
Mt. Carmel	5 00
Morgan Hill	2 50
Flat Creek	4 00
White Rock	2 50
Antioch	5 00
Bethel	2 50
Pleasant Hill	2 50

The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

Our Orphanage is located at Thomasville, N. C. There are now one hundred and forty-four orphans on the grounds, being fed, clothed, and trained for the responsibilities and duties of life. The work needs to be enlarged. They are in need of funds to meet current expenses. We ask that each Sunday-School in this Association take a collection for the Orphanage once a month, and that each church take a special collection once a year. "He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord; and that which be hath given will He pay him again."—Proverbs, xix:17. We also recommend "Charity and Children" as one of the best means to keep posted about the work of the Orphanage.

S. W. Hall,
James Plemmons,
Committee.

"Sunday-Schools," by L. Y. Israel and W. S. Roberts.

The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The most important department of church work is covered by the efforts made in the Sunday-School, in that the Bible is the text book and the practical

Christian the teacher. The Bible systematically brought before the pupil with the sense is the hope of the churches. Glorify Christ as the Savior of sinners.

L. Y. Israel,
W. S. Roberts,
Committee.

"Union Meetings," by T. C. King.

Remarks by A. I. Justice.

The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON UNION MEETINGS.

We, your Committee on Union meetings, submit the following report:

We recommend that the Association be divided into three districts.

District No. 1 to include all the churches west of the French Broad river, including West End Church, Asheville.

District No. 2, to include all the churches south of Asheville, east of French Broad river, Swannanoa valley and First Church, Asheville.

District No. 3 to include all the churches of North Buncombe, with the French Broad Church, Asheville.

We further recommend that a committee of three be appointed as conductor of these meetings. And that three meetings be held in each district per year, and one meeting of all the districts annually.

Respectfully submitted, T. C. King,
M. A. Adams,
S. J. Morgan,
Committee.

Chair appointed T. C. King, W. H. Gibson and M. A. Adams.

"Associational Missions" by A. I. Justice and J. T. Myers.

The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following report:

We mention as places of destitution the Swannanoa Valley, part of Cane Creek, Skyland community, Weaverville and vicinity and Upper Flat Creek. These places, or at least some of them, are great destitutions. We recommend that this Association take steps now to do something for these needy fields.

Respectfully submitted,
A. I. Justice,
J. T. Myers,
Committee.

Chair appointed committees as follows: A. I. Justice, Chairman; E. J. Morgan and John A. Brookshire.

Moved that the clerk be requested to superintend the printing of minutes and that ten dollars be paid to him for his services by

the treasurer, and that he be authorized to draw upon the treasurer for expense of printing.

A resolution thanking the people of Mt. Carmel for kind hospitalities, was offered and passed.

On motion, the Chair appointed T. C. King delegate from this body to the Southern Baptist Convention, with A. I. Justice, alternate.

"Treasurer's Report," by J. M. Stoner.

The rep rt was adopted as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT—RECEIPTS.

Mt. Carmel Church	$ 7 00
Flat Creek Church	6 38
Returned on Minute Fund	2 50
Received for Minutes	18 60
	$34 48

Respectfully,

J. M. STONER, *Treasurer.*

The Association then adjourned to meet at Hominy Church Tuesday before the third Sunday in August 1897.

Notes and Comments by the Clerk.

Moderator Morgan presides with ease, coolness, and impartiality. He never gets excited but hurries the work along with an accuracy that shows the wisdom of the body in his election.

Rev. A. I. Justice serves well as the leader on the floor. He delivered no long speeches but watched every turn to see that the curves were rounded with proper care.

Rev. T. C. King was really at home and always ready to do his part.

Rev. Merit Sluder was frank to say that he was to look after the food and shelter of the delegations; and no other business should turn him from his special duty.

Mrs. Bernice Creasman was the real Martha. No delegate or visitor who met her can forget her true kindness and laden basket. The Asheville delegation—well, ask them.

Misses Texie Brookshire, Nora Creasman, Lucie Hayes and other young ladies tried how welcome they could make everybody feel.

The brethren: Buckner, Hayes, Plemmons, Brookshire, Ingle, Sluder, Miller, and, indeed the entire neighborhood, vied, one with the other, in making everybody welcome and everybody happy. We all felt the welcome and we were all happy. The facts are, Mount Carmel and the people round about suit us. If they insist, we'll come again.

Doctor Felix knows a good thing when he sees it. He's the one who proposed the thanks of the Association to Mount Carmel for kind hospitalities. His resolution was nearly as good as his speech on missions.

Rev. E. J. Morgan, former moderator, was detained by sickness until about noon the last day. But during the few hours that he was there the Association appreciated his valuable presence.

Rev. W. Ward was second to nobody in civilities.

Rev. M. A. Adams was a veritable jewel in the body.

Prof. S. W. Hall delivered a splendid address in behalf of the Orphanage.

Col. W. D. Justice made a fine talk on temperence.

Rev. W. H. Rich preached on Thursday at 11 a. m. It was a stiring sermon.

Rev. M. P. Matheny, preached the introductory sermon, at a minute's notice. But it was a true, tender Gospel Sermon.

Rev. Millard Jenkins came in time to say howdy. We were glad to see him. He's a good boy.

Prof. W. L. Poteet was a welcome visitor. He delivered a magnificent address on education.

Rev. W. H. Gibson spoke well to the report on missions.

Sheriffs Rich and Brookshire were good delegates and seemed truly happy.

Deacon Mathews' silvery locks lent a venerable ornament to the audience all the way through.

The late bereavement of Rev. S. J. Morgan showed in his sad face. He bears the loss of his wife with Christian fortitude. But we could read in his manner what his heart had felt.

Rev. S. C. Owen's talk on the state of missions in Western North Carolina Convention was a gem.

Frank Rogers, though not a member of the church, fed all who would go to his table. He ought to be a Christian.

How we missed old Grandma Plemmons! She went to Heaven a few months before.

The business ran along smoothly throughout. All debates were conducted by reasoning arguments. No resort was had to ridicule, the only instrument of the weak and vengeful. Brotherly love characterized the scene from first to last. Reports on the different subjects reflected the knowledge of committees, while the speakers to the reports drew upon their intelligence and deep sympathy.

STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Pastor's Salary.	Sabbaths of Meeting.	Number of Members.	Number in Sunday-School.	Church Collections For All Purposes.	Sunday-School Collections For All Purposes.	Other Collections, Aid Society, etc.	Collections From All Sources.
First Church	J. S. Felix, D. D.	E. B. Stradley	Asheville	$2 500	Every.	811	402	$12,064 28	$1,826 53	$475 05	$14,365 86
French Broad	M. A. Adams	W. P. Clark	Asheville	1,000	Every.	131	115	1,491 71	96 86		1,588 59
West End	A. E. Brown	L. N. Durham	Asheville	600	Every.	211	286	894 87	156 59		1,057 44
Fern Hill	W. H. Gibson	E. J. Gibson	Biltmore	250	1st and 3d.	54	60	288 50	43 00		331 50
Beaverdam	W. H. Gibson	Edwin P. Stradley	Asheville	224	2d and 4th.	53	50	309 92	43 24		353 16
Mt. Carmel	T. C. King	D. S. Sluder	Success	200	1st and 3d.	112	85	248 27	4 08		252 35
Pleasant Hill	W. N. Martin	J. P. Corn			2d.	51					
Antioch	W. T. Bradley	T. J. Garrison	Democrat	75		168	70	221 00	7 00		228 00
Hominy	T. C. King	E. C. Morgan	Candler	200	2d and 4th.	115	110	229 25	55 88		285 13
Big Ivy	S. J. Morgan	G. H. Blankenship	Barnardsville			157	75				
Bent Creek	James Plemmons	M. T. Johnson	Inanda	30	2d and 4th.	78		52 00			
Bethel	A. Bright	George Spivy	Asheville	60	4th.	62	77	68 90	8 50		77 40
New Salem	F. M. Presley	M. L. Lance	Rest Haven	30		45	50	30 00	1 42		31 43
Flat Creek	T. M. Honeycutt	J. O. McElroy	Stocksville	100	1st.	172	100	108 97	8 53		117 49
Mt. Olivet	Joseph Cordell	R. A. Stuart	Asheville	25		16	25	26 50			26 50
Cane Creek	E. J. Harrell	R. A Morgan	Fairview	200	2d and 4th.	177	104	248 00	19 20		267 20
Morgan Hill	John Ammons	W. J. Goldsmith	Morgan Hill	57	4th.	141	85	74 63	8 00		82 63
White Rock	T. C. King	D. N. Curtis	Dunsmore	50		75	75	64 00	9 00		73 00
Berea	A. I. Justice	B. G. Shope	Riceville	150	2d and 4th.	102	50	204 00	16 00		220 00
Liberty	M. Sluder	R. G. Young		25	2d.	43		36 00	12 00		48 00
Spring Mountain	F. M. Presley	S. W. Guffey	Rest Haven	25		58	49		2 00		27 00
Trinity	F. M. Presley	C. M. McKinney	Acton	25	1st.						
Gash's Creek	W. M. Jamison	R. C. Sales	Rest Haven	100	Every.	105	80	189 82	15 00		204 82

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HELD WITH

Hominy Church,

AUGUST 10th, 11th and 12th. 1897.

Officers of the Association:

Moderator—Rev. A. E. Brown, Asheville, N. C.
Clerk—F. M. Williams, Morgan Hill, N. C.
Treasurer—John M. Stoner, Asheville, N. C.
Historian—Rev. W. T. Bradley, Morgan Hill, N. C.

Ordained Ministers.

J. S. Felix, D. D. ..... Asheville, N. C.
J. W. Anderson ..... Asheville, N. C.
A. E. Brown ..... Asheville, N. C.
J. M Bassett ..... Asheville, N. C.
W. W. Jones ..... Asheville, N. C.
W. Haynes ..... Asheville, N. C.
J. C. Cordell ..... Beach, N. C.
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W. M. Jamison ..... Rest Haven, N. C.
E. J. Morgan ..... Candler, N. C.
T. K. Brown ..... Black Mountain, N. C.
F. M. Pressley ..... Biltmore, N. C.
T. C. King ..... Candler, N. C.
S. C. Owen ..... Candler, N. C.
M. E. Sluder ..... Juno, N. C.
W. T. Springs ..... Inanda, N. C.
James Plemmons ..... Inanda, N. C.
W. T. Bradley ..... Morgan Hill, N. C.
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M. S. Proffitt ..... Democrat, N. C.
S. W. Hall ..... Mars Hill, N. C.
H. P. Rich ..... Emma, N. C.
E. J. Harrell ..... Fair View, N. C.
L. Y. Israel ..... Dunsmore, N. C.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Dr. L. B. McBrayer, Rev. E. J. Morgan and John A. Brookshire.

The next session of the Buncombe County Association will meet with Brown Chapel Church, on Upper Reems' Creek, six miles above Weaverville, beginning on Tuesday at 11 a. m., before the third Sunday in August, 1898.

Introductory sermon by Rev. W. W. Jones.

PROCEEDINGS.

HOMINY CHURCH Tuesday August, 10th, 1897. The Buncombe County Baptist Association met today in its Sixteenth Annual Session, with Hominy Church, at 11 a. m. Moderator John P. Morgan presiding; Clerk and Treasurer both present.

Preacher of the Introductory Sermon, Rev. M. A. Adams, being absent, Rev. T. K. Brown was requested to preach the Annual Sermon which he did from John 4: 24, "God is a spirit; and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth."

Song: "Rock of ages cleft for me." The preacher in his prayer, thanked God that we were permitted to meet once more. Feelings of hearty responses came from the audience. The holy spirit accompanied the exercises and light kindled about the altar. Song: "Amazing grace &c." Prayer by Rev. A. E. Brown.

Took a recess of one hour, during which time, a bountiful dinner was served on the ground.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association reassembled at 1. p. m. Former Moderator, John P. Morgan, in the Chair. Song: "I gave my life for thee."

The Moderator appointed A. E. Brown and J. H. Tucker reading clerks, and letters were read and delegates names enrolled from churches as follows:

First Church (Asheville.) J. M. Stoner, J. H. Tucker, C. C. Mathews, L. F. Mathews, Rev. J. W. Anderson, J. Mooney, Jno. W. Starnes and J. M. Spurlin.

Antioch—J. J. Greenwood, T. C. Morgan and Erastus Carter.

Avery's Creek.—W. C. Johnson, T. M. Johnson and S. O. Ingram.

Beaver Dam.—E. P. Stradley, John Morris and W. E. Masters.

Berea.—T. P. Swan, Judson Reed, James Cordell, T. K. Brown and Harrison Shope.

Big Ivy.—A. M. Burlison.

Bent Creek.—N. B. Creasman, J. B. Rogers, S. B. Lance and Z. V. Green

Brown's Chapel.—J. C. Cordell, C. H. Buckner, Milton Revis and L. D. Maney.

Burnsville Hill.—Z. J. Edge and W. C. Ramsey.

Bethel.—J. P. Brookshire. and R. H. Embler.

Cane Creek.—E. J. Harrell, Jas. Brown, S. J. Ashworth, W. S. Shitle, B. S. Spivy, J. S. Robertson, R. A. Morgan, W. T. Wray, and A. H. Pinkerton.

Chestnut Grove.—Joel Brigman, B. G. Hensley, S. M. Riddle.

Flat Creek.— H. G. McLean, L. J. Williams and B. H. Sams.

Fern Hill.—Letter, but no delegates.

Gashes Creek.—J. A. Brookshire.

Hominy.—T. C. King, S. C. Owen, M. H. Morgan, E. L. Clark, Jesse W. Morgan, L. S. Clark, P. C. Orpin, E. C Morgan and R. A. Jones.

Liberty.—J. H. Holcombe, A. D. Matlock and R. G. Young.

Locust Grove.—J. E. Chandler.

Morgan Hill.—W. T. Bradley, O. T. Bell, F. M. Williams, W. J. Goldsmith, F. L. Stockton, Luther Burnett and N. T. Morgan.

Mt. Carmel.—T. P. Brookshire, James Miller, A. E. Ingle, M. M. Sluder and T. M. Rymer.

Mt. Olive.—R. A. Stewart and J. W. Randle.

Palestine.—F. M. Presly and R P. Jones.

Pleasant Hill.—J. D. Taylor, J. A. Rogers and Jas. Moore.

Spring Mountain.—T. L. Guffey, Leander Freeman, J. C. Mitchell and S. W. Guffey.

Trinity.—E. H. Britt, J. W. Jones and Wm. Mckiney.

Vernon Hill.—Geo W. Ballard, E. J. Rhodes and John M. Davis.

West End (Asheville)— A. E Brown, L. N. Durham, J. P. Morgan, F. P. Ingle, W. J. Hough, J. S. Harper, G. C. Durham, J. B. Pool and Dr. L. B. McBrayer.

White Rock.—E. J. Morgan, L. Y. Israel, R. P. Warren, J. C, Bird, G. W. Peebles, E. L. Warren and W. M. Jones.

The Association proceeded to the election of officers with the following result: For Moderator, Rev. A. E. Brown; For Clerk, F. M. Williams: For Treasurer, J. M. Stoner, Asheville, North Carolina; For Historian, Rev. W. T. Bradley, Morgan Hill North Carolina.

The Moderator announced the following committee on order of business: T. C. King, E. J. Morgan and J. W Starnes Letters were read from Burnsville Hill, Chestnut Grove and Palestine—newly constituted churches—which were refered to the following Committee on Credentials; W. T. Bradley, J. H. Tucker, M. H. Morgan, N. B. Creasman and T. K. Brown. The committee, after a short deliberation, reported, recommending their reception, and the Moderator extended to the delegates, in behalf of the Association, the hand of welcome, and ordered their names enrolled.

The following, corresponding messengers and visitors, on invitation, accepted seats in the body.

From the Western North Carolina Association Rev. Tobias Bright, Missionary, Pastor at Murphy, North Carolina

From Newfound Association, Revs. J. P. Painter and J. D. Colly.

From the Dan River, Virginia, Association, as Visitor, Rev. J. T. Betts, formerly pastor of the French Broad Avenue Church, Asheville.

The Moderator announced the following committees: On Temperance.—E. J. Morgan, J. Mooney, T. M. Rymer and J. J. Hayes.

On Sunday Schools.—J. H. Tucker, D. E. Ramsey, W. S. Shitle and J. D. Colly.

On Orphanage —S. C. Owen, F, P. Ingle, Edwin Stradley and J. P. Painter.

On Periodicals.—W. T. Bradley, W. J. Hough, H. P. Rich and R. A. Morgan.

On Education.—E. J. Harrell Prof. O. F. Thompson, Joel Brigman and A. M. Burlison.

On Foreign Mission.—T. C. King, A. E. Ingle, T. C. Morgan, Levi Clark and J. W. Jones.

On Home and Conventional Missions.—Jno. W. Starnes, J. W. Anderson, T. L. Guffey, L. Y. Israel and O. T. Bell.

On motion added to our list, a committee on Baptist, Young People's Union.

Committee.—S. I. Keeler, G. C. Durham, N. T. Morgan J. S. Robertson and Thos. Stradley.

On Finance,—Jesse W. Morgan, Burnett Sams and Henry Embler.

On Associational Missions.—T. K. Brown, L. D. Maney, J. D. Taylor, T. B. Swan, J. C. Cordell, Z. J. Edge and N. B. Creasman,

On Religious Worship.—Pastor and Delegates of Hominy Church.

On Time, Place and Annual Sermon.—T. K. Brown, L. D. Maney, E. J. Harrell, T. B.Swan, F. M. Presley and H. G. McLean

The Committee on order of business submitted their report which was on motion adopted.

REPORT ON ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Meet at 9 a. m, spend half hour in Prayer and Praise. 2. Adjourn at 12. m. 3. Meet at I. p. m. 4. Adjourn at will.

Order of hearing reports of Committees.

1. Home and Conventioal Missions.
2. Associational Missions.
3. Periodicals.
4. Foreign Missions.
5. Sunday Schools.
6. Baptist Young People's Unions.
7. Education.
8. Orphanage.
9. Temperance.
10. Finance.
11. Time Place and Annual Sermon.

After assigning delegates and visitor homes, and making announcments, the Association adjourned to 9 a. m. to-morow.

Benediction by F. M. Presley.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

Wednesday, Aug. 11, 1897.

The Association met at 9. a., m. Moderator Brown presiding. Prayer and Praise service conducted by W. T. Bradley.

Minute of yesterday read, and approved. Moder-

ator called for letters, if any, not presented on yesterday.

Letter presented and read from Locust Grove Church, with a petition for a letter of dismission, to join the French Broad Association. On motion the letter was granted.

Visiting brethren and correspondents were invited to seats. Rev. W. H. Rich, from the Orphanage, at Thomasville, North Carolina, and Rev. R. A. Settell, of the Haywood County, Association, responded.

The report on Home and Conventional Missions, was read by J. W. Starnes. Motion to adopt. Remarks by T. C. King. At the close of Brother King's remarks, Song, "Leaning on the everlasting Arm," Continued remarks by S. C. Owen, Dr. L. B. McBrayer, Rev. T. Bright, J. W. Starnes, M. A. Adams, E. J. Morgan and T. K. Brown, Special prayer requested by Moderotor. led by E. J. Harell, for the work at Murphy, North Carolina—Report adopted.

REPORT ON HOME AND CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

The Territory of Home Mission work is all of the Southern States, Indian Territory and Cuba. The Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has been laboring for more than fifty years, striving to enlist the churches of its territory in the work, and to supply the destitution. Hundreds of churches have been built by it, thousands of members have been added to the Baptist hosts, and hundreds of churches have been induced to co-operate with the Board in the great work. The greater success of the work in Cuba has been a source of gratification to all Christian workers. The war now going on in that Island has greatly hindered the work for the past

two years. But the workers are expecting an early cessation of hostilities, and a more rapid advancement in the future than in the past. Hundreds of churches are giving a very meagre support to the Board, and many more have never been enlisted at all. A few missionaries have been sent directly in to the Indian Territory, but we find it very difficult to reach them. Let us pray and work that a way may soon be opened up from us to them.

The Territory of Conventional Missions is that included in the bounds of the Western North Carolina Baptist Convention. The Board of the Convention meets regularly every month, and is anxiously striving to supply the destitution. As some fields develope into a self sustaining condition, new fields are opened up. The Board has never been able to supply all the demands made upon it, for the want of means. Rev. S. C. Owen, the Corresponding Secretary, resigned a few months ago. Dr. L. B. McBrayer attended to the office work of that position until the recent election of Rev. T. C. King, who is now just entering upon the duties of representing the Board in the field. We are grateful to the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention for their Annual Contribution of $600. We also signify our gratitude to the Sunday School Board, and the Publication Society.

The work at Murphy under the leadership of Rev. T. Bright is progressing rapidly. It is believed that Murphy will soon be self sustaining if the work continues to grow there in the future as rapidly as it has in the recent past.

The Board is now about out of debt, and it hopes to avoid being involved, but much of the work

it wants to do is going undone for the want of hearty co-operation of the churches.

JNO. W. STARNES, }
J. W. ANDERSON, } Committee.

The following letter of greeting from the Woman's Missionary Union, Western North Carolina, was read by J. H. Tucker:

To the Buncombe County Association.

Greeting: The time having arrived when our churches meet together in their Annual Asssociations to look over the work of the past year, and devise plans for the future, I wish to present the work that is being done by the women.

Some seem to think that the Woman's Missionary Society is one of the new "fads" gotten up by the "advanced woman" in which she hopes to supplant the brothers in the work of the Church. This is a great mistake. We are only "Marthas" serving where the brethren could not or would not.

The Woman's Missionary Society is no new thing, but can claim the honor of being nearly 100 years old. The first Female Mission Society was organized in Boston on October 9th, 1800. From the History of the First Baptist Church, in Richmond, Virginia, we learn that a Woman's Mission Society existed as early as 1813; and that between 1816 and 1817 the society contributed the sum of $500 to Foreign Misssions.

These societies were organized about the time Western North Carolina was being peopled. When we think that in 1807 there were only six Baptist Churches west of the Blue Ridge, and are told that the first Missionary Sermon was preached only

about fifty years ago, we are not surprised to learn that the first Woman's Mission Society was organized at Berea Church in Buncombe County by Mrs. Mary J. Alexander only 10 years ago.

During the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention at Richmond, Virginia, in 1888, the organization of the Woman's Missionary Union (Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention) was perfected. Officers were elected, Constitution and By-laws were adopted and an Executive Committee was located at Baltimore.

The Union is composed of the Woman's Missionary Societies throughout the South. These are represented at the Annual Meetings by delegates sent by the State Central Committees which have the oversight of the woman's work in their respective State Conventions.

The time is past when any one can look on the general organization as an insignificant body. Last year the women and children of the South gave for Foreign Missions $23,476,33, and for Home Missions $29,931.31, a total of $53,407.64. During the nine years of its existence it has raised for the Foreign and Home Board $410,000 or nearly half a million.

The Central Committee (Auxiliary to the Western North Carolina Convention) was organized in 1893—the following May it was received into the Woman's Missionary Union of the South. Since that time the Societies of Western North Carolina have given for Foreign Missions $938.15, for Home Missions $529.66, for Conventional Missions $452.22, a total of $1,920.03.

So you see we have much to encourage us, yet,

what might we accomplish if we had a Missionary Society and Sunbeam Band in every Church and Sunday School.

We are aiming at this, and we ask the co-operation of all the Pastors and Sunday School Superintendents in our work, for we cannot hope to accomplish much without their sympathy and help.

The total reported to the Central Committee as given in the last Annual report ending October, 1896, was $761.94.

For Foreign Missions,	$294.03.
For Home Missions,	160.09.
For Conventional Missions,	307.82.

Of the above amount the Societies of Buncombe County contibuted as follows:

First Church Asheville,	$337 31.
West End,	61.63.
Biltmore,	72.60.
Berea,	15.23.
Fair View,	12.11.
Candler,	7.69.
Morgan Hill,	8.11.
Antioch,	1.28.
Big Ivy,	4.00.
Garrison School House	3.21.
Mt. Carmel,	1.10.
Total	$514.33

'Twas woman who broke the Alabaster box of ointment which anointed Christ for his burial. 'Twas woman who prepared the spices with which to embalm his body after burial. 'Twas woman who first carried the joyful news of the resurrection to his disciples. Hannah Marshman,a woman,was one of

the first to carry the Gospel to the dying millions in India. Shall woman now be denied the privilege of helping to send to the lost throughout the world the blessed news of Salvation.

MRS. JNO. W. STARNES, Sec.
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION, W. N. C.

The hour having arrived for adjournment, on motion the time was extended 30 minutes Took collection for Conventional Missions, amount $8 60.

The following pledges were made by churches as follows: First Church, Asheville, Convention Missions $50; Asssociation Missions $50; Ladies' Missionary Society Association Missions, $10; Bent Creek, $2.50; Fern Hill, $10; Hominy, $10; White Rock, $5.00 Pleasant Hill, $2.00; Beaver Dam, $10; Flat Creek, Convention Missions, $2.50; Association Missions, $5.00; Orphanage, $2.50; Big Ivy, $5.00; Berea, Conventional Missions, $5 00; Association Missions, $5 00; Gash's Creek, $5.00. Fair View, Conventional Missions, $5.00; Association Missions, $10; Ladies' Missionary Society, for Conventional Missions, $5.00; Burnsville Hill, $4.00; West End, Asheville, $20; Antioch, Conventional Missions, $2.50; Association Missions. 2.50; Bethel, $2.00; Mt. Olive, $1.00; Spring Mountain, Conventional Missions, .50; Ladies' Missionary Society, for Association Missions $3.00; Palestine, $1.00; Vernon Hill, $5.00; Chestnut Grove, $1.00; L. W. Morgan, $1.00.

Adjourned to 1:30 p. m. Benediction by W. T. Bradley.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reassembled. Song: "Jesus lover

of my Soul." Prayer was offered by James Plemmons.

The report on Associational Missions was read by T. K. Brown. Motion to adopt. Remarks by J. H. Tucker, T. K Brown and E. J. Harrell.

The report was adopted as follows.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report as follows, that after carefully surveying the various fields of our Association we find great destitution notwithstanding the fact that these destitute places are very near the place of the regular sessions of the Conventional Board, but we fully exonerate the Board from the fact that there has been no person whose duty it was to point out these destitutions to the Board. We therefore recommend that this Association take such steps by appointment, or otherwise, that will make it the duty of some one to bring this matter before the Conventional Board to the end that these places of destitution may be looked after and worked up.

Respectfully submitted.

T. K Brown,
L. D. Maney. } For Com.
Z. J. Edge,

On motion the Moderator appointed the following Executive Board: Dr. L. B. McBrayer, E. J. Morgan, and Jas. A. Brookshire.

The report on Sunday Schools read by J. H. Tucker and, on motion, its consideration was indefinitely postponed.

The report on periodicals was presented by W. T. Bradley. Remarks by J. P. Morgan, Rev. J. D. Colley, M. A. Adams and W. H. Rich.

S. C. Owen offered the following resolution:

Resolved—That the Association recognize the fact that the "Southern Baptist" is published at Bryson City. On motion of J. H. Tucker, the resolution was laid on the table.

Report on periodicals adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your Committee on periodicals report that one of the greatest drawbacks that our denomination has to contend with is that so few of our members read our denominational papers. Religious papers are great educators for the members of our churches. How much it does help the pastors of our churches for their members to send our denominational papers. We therefore recommend and urge that all of our church members subscribe for and read the "Western North Carolina Baptist," the organ of our convention. Also the "Biblical Recorder," and "Charity and Children." The Foreign Mission Journal is a paper worthy of all our patronage. It gives the needed information on our Foreign Mission Work. W. T. Bradley, Chairman Committee.

The hour having arrived for the reading of the report on Foreign Missions, and the report not being presented, on motion, Rev. M. A. Adams was requested to address the Association on the Foreign Mission work.

At the close of the address took a collection, amounting to $1.37.

The following pledges were made for Foreign Missions: West End, Asheville, $30; Fern Hill Sunday School, $15; Beaver Dam, $15; Bent Creek, $2.50; Cane Creek, $10; White Rock, $5.00; Berea, $5.00;

Vernon Hill, $2.00; Gash's Creek, $2.50; Spring Mountain, $1.00.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by T. C. King, and on motion, the report having been thoroughly discussed, by Brother Adams, was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions submit the following:

It is with profound gratitude to God that we note the progress made in the foreign field. The Foreign Mission Board, acting for the churches of the "Southern Baptist Convention," had last year one hundred and ninety missionaries on the field, 110 being native helpers. We have in China 20 churches, 37 out stations, 39 Missionaries, 43 native helpers. Baptisms reported during the last year, 167. We now have a total membership of 1364, these contributed last year, $1,793.

In Africa we have 6 churches, 2 out stations, 7 Missionaries, 7 native helpers. Baptisms 29, total membership 284. Contributed last year $393. We have in Italy, 21 churches with 56 out stations, 3 Missionaries, and 28 native helpers Baptisms 93, total number of communicants, 490, these contributed last year $800. In Mexico we have 29 churches, 24 out stations, 15 missionaries, 17 native helpers. Baptised last year 112, total membership 1116. Contributed last year $614.

In Brazil, the work is full of hope. We have 18 churches, 17 out stations, 10 missionaries, 17 native helpers. aptisms reported 251, with a total membership of 1,022. Contributions, $3,010.

In Japan we only have one church, with 5 out stations. 6 Missionaries and 4 native helpers, 8 baptisms for the year, a total number of members 48, amount contributed $48.

The work is full of hope; we ought to thank God and take courage. There was in all baptised last year 660. We have now a total membership in other lands of 4,324, these contributed last year $6,658, an average of $1.53 per member,

another promising feature of the work is the idea of self support. We have now five missionaries who receive no compensation from our Board, many others only receive partial pay. We feel that this is as it ought to be, we would urge it upon all our churches and pastors, to strive to do more to give the "word of life" to the perishing this year than we have ever done before, Let us work, pray, and give that pagan, "idols, and popal priest craft" may fall before the gospel of liberty, and that this world may be given to our Lord and his Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

T. C. KING,
Chairman Committee.

On motion the consideration of the report on the Orphanage made the special order for 11:15 a. m. tomorrow. On motion adjourned to 9 a. m. tomorrow. Benediction by W. H. Rich.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, August 12th, 1897.

The Association met according to adjournment. Devotional exercises conducted by G. C. Durham.

The clerk read minute of yesterday which was on motion adopted.

On motion of S. C. Owen, speeches were limited to 15 minutes.

Report on "Baptist Young People's Union" read by G. C Durham. Remarks by G. C. Durham. E. J. Morgan, T. K. Brown, S. C. Owen, W. S. Shitle, E. J. Howell, Edwin Stradley, J. M. Stoner, A. E. Brown and T. Bright. Report adopted.

REPORT ON BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.

We regret to report that there areonly four Unions in the Association which are in good working order, and one at Biltmore temporarily suspended. The Unions in the first church, Asheville, West End church, Fairview church, and Beaver Dam church are doing good work, and are a source of spiritual strength to their respective churches The object of the Baptist Young People's Union is, in short, to bring the young people into line for Christ by stimulating

their spirituality, and giving them definite work to do for Christ.

We earnestly recommend the organization of local unions in every church where it is possible, and we firmly believe it is possible in nearly every church in the Association We urge pastors and earnest day workers everywhere to post themselves regarding the work of the union, and set about the organization of this important work in their respective churches.

S. I. KEELER,
THOS. STRADLEY,
G. C. DURHAM,
J. S. ROBERTSON, } Com.

Repot on Education read by E. J. Harrell. Remarks by Prof. O. F. Thompson, S. C. Owen, J. D. Callynd J. T. Betts. Report adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We are glad to report increasing interest among the Baptist people of North Carolina along the lines of education. However, we remain in the lowest class of the states in point of popular education. Every Baptist ought to be a strong advocate of education, and we thefore urge that our people strive in every possible way to secure the best.

PRIMARY EDUCATION.

We believe that the best way to promote education is to encourage the establishing and the support of primary wherever opportunity is presented. Therefore we ask that every member of this Association give his best efforts to this work in his own community.

Academies.—We recognize the great importance of well equipped academies for the promotion of education. Without these our colleges would be useless and the cause of education would languish. We heartily commend to our people the following institutions: Fair View Collegiate Institute, Antioch Seminary, Mars Hill, Bell View, Clyde and Hominy Valley Institutes.

HIGH EDUCATION.

We favor taxation by the state for primary education only, and commend the principle of local taxation as far as possible, but we regard the large appropriations made by

the state for higher education as too great a drain upon our primary work.

Wake Forest College.—The last session was regarded the best and most successful one in the history of our college. The number of students enrolled surpassed all previous records—263. The number in the Law School reached 85, while seven states were represented in the student body. Also a large number secured Bible instruction in this newly established department. The christian atmosphere, he high grade of the work done, and the success of the students commend Wake Forest College to our people.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The call of our times is more and more for an educated ministry. If the minister is to lift up his people under God, he must be well inofrmed. "Like priest, like people" has been found only too true. About 35 young ministers received aid at Wake Forest last year from the Education Board. Some of these were from Western North Carolina The Board is now in great need, let us help it; we are also glad to recommend the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary to our people.

Respectfully submitted,
E. J. HARREL,
O. F. THOMPSON,
JOEL BRIGMAN,
A. M. BURLISON,
Com.

The hour having arrived for the consideration of the report on the Orphanage—Song, "Oh, the voice of Jesus calling." The report was then read by S. C. Owen. Remarks by S. C. Owen and W. H. Rich. At the close of Brother Rich's very feeling addrsss took a collection for the Orphanage; amount $8.23. Report adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Our Orphanage has for several years had from 125 to 135 children, but the completion of the central building gives room for about 50 more children. About 160 are there now. The increase in the number of children means that we must increase our contributions to their support. Very many of them are the children of our dead brethren and sisters in Christ. If we are to follow the golden rule, Do unto others

as we would have them do unto us. the question is how do we want others to care for our children when we are dead? But we should care for them for Christ's sake just as we do any other service for the Lord.

We call special attention to the fact that there is a debt on the central building of about $1,000; and our section of the State has done but little for it yet.

We ask the pastors of this Association to lay this matter before their churches at an early date.

S. C. OWEN,
E. P. STRADLEY, } Com.
F. P. INGLE,

Report on Temperance read by E. J. Morgan Remarks by E. J. Morgan and T. K. Brown. Report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee to whom was refered the report on Temperance beg leave to submit the following:

The word temperance, considered Biblically, is broad in its meaning, and includes the observance of those moral or divine precepts which admit the use only of things needful to the strength and healthfulness of our physical, mental and spirtual being ,and a total abstinance from things hurtful or weakening to these God given forces. God made man pure, for a capacity for greatness and happiness, and pronounced his work good. Satan, our enemy, has all these years been striving to spoil this noblest work of God by blinding his eyes, by vitiating his taste, and by creating abnormal appetites, that he might make man self destructive. How far he has succeeded in this let the dark pages of history answer, to this end, narcotics on the one hand, alcoholic stimulents on the other have been drafted upon, and of all the agenics brought to bear, there is none more effective, so deadly, so ruinous as the alcoholic or rum curse. Let us look at its waste; more than one billion dollars are spent annually in our own country for it. Seventy thousand lives are sacrificed annually on its accursed altar, with untold and untelable pievation, anguish and sorrow of multiplied thousands of others connected or associated with those who die.

Now what is the church to do with this monster evil? Answer, suppress it, use every legitimate means for its

annihilation. But how can this be done? Answer, by teaching the people better. (1) Let parents raise their children to be afraid of it, to hate it. (2) Let school teachers inform their pupils as to its hurtful effect on the human system. (3) Let preachers remember that the gospel is God's power of salvation from this evil, as well as every other. Let them thunder the law as from Sinai's smoking heights that 'wine is a mocker," that "strong drink is raging," that "no drunkard can inherit the kingdom of God." (4) Let the churches rid themselves of drunkards and tipplers. (5) Let the press and public speakers mould public sentiment until the people wont have it. (6) Let us pray the Lord to make bare his arm in ridding the country of this curse. Let us play no longer with this great evil. Great progress has been made—greater effort ought to be put forth—greater faith exercised, and the apparent impossible will come to pass.

Respectfully submitted,
E. J. MORGAN,
J. MOONEY, } Com.

Took up the report on Sunday schools, which was read and indefinity postponed, and on motion it was adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

It is possible that no branch of church work touches the home life so completely as the sunday school. It touches every phase of life, from the old gray headed father and mother to the sweet pratting innocency of childhood. It is the only place in the church life where all grades and classes and conditions of spiritual requirement can possibly be met. From the same bible lesson, the infant is taught the simple rules of christian faith and practice, and its parents are taught the deeper truths of God's word. It is the graded school of work and worship, oftentimes illustrating to the church the value of systematic bible study. From its class rooms, the young are early directed to the Saviour and trained to his service. Here the thoughts of the lesson are sifted out and imparted to suit the age and intellect of the scholar and in no other part of the church is this done. If this be true, how it behooves the pastor to watch and nourish the Sunday school. It is the source from which he must draw his trained helper in his churche's battle for its

existence, or its onward march to greater attainments for the Master.

The pastor that loses the influence and stimulus of a first class Sunday school at once paralyzes his own right arm, and becomes a cripple in service. No pastor should content himself until the membership of his school shall equal the membership of his church, and in many instances the school membership shall double. Should this rule prevail in our Association, we could count a thousand more scholars than we now have, and just in the ratio that we work to accomplish this will our spirituality and efficiency as church workers increase. When we have brought all the members of the church, and the old and the young of the community, and with them the little children, and laid them all down at the foot of the cross and taught them, Blessed Jesus, of Thee then shall we win the welcome plaudit, "Well done thou good and faithful servant." To this end, pastor and people, may God direct you.

We hail with joy the almost total abandonment of Union Sunday schools and union literature within the bounds of our Association. Baptist children ought to have taught them bible truths, and the whole truth unmixed with error, and not to depend upon the opposers of our baptist zion for bible interpretations. For substance and quality we know of no literature so pure, wholesome and biblical as that published by the Sunday school board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the American Baptist Publication Society. A recent reduction in prices of about 25 per cent puts our literature in the reach of all schools, and J. N. Morgan & Co., of Asheville, will order it without charge. Brethren, let us "contend for the faith, which was once delivered to the saints," and in God's name give it in its purity to our children.

J. H. TUCKER,
D. E. RAMSEY,
W. S. SHITLE,
J. D. COLLY, } Com.

Report on time, place and annual sermon read by E. J. Harrell as follows: Place—Brown's Chapel, Baptist church. Time—Tuesday after second Sunday, August, 1898.

Rev. W. W. Jones to preach the introductory sermon. Rev. W. M. Jamison, alternate. (A motion was made to

strike out Brown's Chapel, and insert Berea, which was after some discussion withdrawn, and the original report adopted.)

E. J. HARRELL,
T. K. BROWN,
F. M. PRESLEY, } Com.
L. D. MANEY,
T. B. SWAN,

Report of Committee on Finance, read by J. M. Stoner and on motion adopted, as follows:

Collected for minutes,	$24.10
Collected for Foreign Missions,	1.37
Collected for Conventional Missions,	8.60
Collected for Orphanage,	8 23
Total	$42.30

B. H. SAMS,
HENRY EMBLER, } Com.

Treasurer Jno. M Stoner stated that he had advanced $13 27 of his own money on the printing of last year's minutes, which had never been refunded, and on motion it was agreed to refund the amount, and the following pledges made for that purpose: Mt. Carmel, paid .50· Bent Creek, paid .50; First church Asheville, 75; West End, .50; Beaver Dam, paid .25; Antioch, .25; Hominy .50; Flat Creek, .50; Big Ivy, .25; Cane Creek, paid .50; Morgan Hill, .50; White Rock, .50; Berea, .50; Liberty, .25; Gash's Creek, .25; Brown's Chapel, .50.

On motion instructed the Clerk to have the minutes printed and distributed, and that he be allowed ten dollars for his services.

It was agreed by motion, that if any member of this Association be present at any sister Association, that they present themselves as Corresponding Messengers. Appointed as a delegate to the next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, Moderator Rev. A. E. Brown.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, that we, the Buncombe county Association hereby express our thanks to the Baptist people of Hominy Baptist church, and to the good people of the community, for their kindness and care in entertaining this Association.

E. J. HARRELL.

For want of time, on motion, the Historian's report was adopted as follows:

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

The Buncombe county Baptist Association met last year with Mt. Carmel church. The sermon was preached by Rev. M. P. Martheney. The letters showd tha there had been a forward movement along the line Most all of the churches had additions by baptisms, and the interest taken in missions had been good, considering the hard times. The changes that had been made during the year, with the pastors, was as follows. W. H. Gibson had been called to Fern Hill church, T. C. King to Hominy, M. A. Adams to French Broad church Asheville, A. E. Brown West End church Asheville, John Ammons to Morgan Hill, E. J. Harrell to Berea and Cane Creek, and also occupying some Mission stations, and W. H. Gibson to Beaver Dam. Rev. W. P. Southern left our Association and went to Macon Georgia, and Rev. W. H. Rich to Thomasville, North Carolina.

John P. Morgan was elected Moderator, and Jno. W. Starnes clerk. The session was a harmonious one all the way through.

The Buncombe county Baptist Associational year of 1897 shows a steady movement on the line of christian work. We learn from the letters that there have been revivals of religion in most all the churches. 214 Baptisms are reported. The W st End church shows the largest nomber in the Association.

We have lost during the year by death, 22 members. There have not been many changes with the pastors this year.

Rev A. I. Justice left us, and went to Henderson county. Rev. W. W. Jones has charge of the work at Fern Hill, and Beaver Dam, also doing Mission work at Weaverville, and it is contemplated that we will have a house of worship built there in the near future. Rev. S. W. Hall is pastor at Big Ivy church, and Rev. J. F. Sams at Flat Creek church. Rev. M. A. Adams resigned the care of French Broad church, and has since moved to Clyde North Carolina. The French Broad church is at this time without a pastor, also the Mt. Carmel church has been without a pastor since T. C. King resigned.

Three newly constituted churches united with us this year, Burnsville Hill, Chestnut Grove and Palestine. A letter of dismission was granted to Locust Grove church, to unite with the French Bro d Association Rev. A. E. Brown is our Moderator, and F. M. Williams clerk, W. T. Bradley Historian.

On motion adjourned to time and place. Song: "God be with you till we meet again." Closing prayer led by the Moderator.

REV. A. E. BROWN, MODERATOR.
F. MARION WILLIAMS, CLERK.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Officers and Teachers.	Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Professions in Sunday School.	Col. for Support of School.	Foreign Missions.	Support of Poor.	Baptist Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Class Collections.
First church, Ashreville	J. H. Tucker	25	400	243	.....	$165.88	113.35	$10.00	$25.00	$98.13	$633.67
West End church, Asheville	Dr. L. B. McBrayer	9	310	160	15	34.73	.....	.....	.....	.....	425.00
Beaverdam church	Rev. W. Haynes	7	53	38	6	5.47	26.93	.....	5.00	2.96	.....
Beren church	T. B. Swan	4	60	40	0	5.00	.....	.....	.....	3.00	8.00
Fern Hill church	Dr. A. S. Whitaker	6	70	55	5	21.39	.....	.....	.....	21.96	45.97
Hominy church	P. O. Orpin	5	126	80	0	12.00	.....	.....	.....	25.00	38.00
Flat Creek church	W. S. Roberts	0	60	40	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Olive church	Albert Stewart	5	30	20	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vernon Hill church	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spring Mountain church	A. H. Pinkerton	5	40	20	5	1.25	.....	.....	.....	5.00	5.00
Cane Creek church	S. J. Ashworth	9	120	80	2	11.65	.....	.....	.....	15.74	.....
Mt. Carmel church	W. J. Parham	8	75	46	.....	7.00	16	.....	4.66	.....	.....
Morgan Hill church	B. F. Arrowood	9	75	50	10	6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Antioch church	E. B. Goldsmith	6	90	50	14	7.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Liberty church	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.00	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....
Brown's Chapel	E. K. Roberts	6	60	40	10	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bent Creek church	.....	6	.....	40	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.25
White Rock church	.....	5	.....	50	.....	6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Big Ivy church	A. M. Burlison	6	65	40	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethel church	W.M. Embler	6	60	40	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill	.....	.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	87	.....
Gashe's Creek church	M. L. Reed	4	75	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75.00	.....
Palestine church	R. P. Jones	.....	52	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chestnut Grove church	Joel Brigman	.....	70	50	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.00	.....

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Associational Miss.	Home Miss.	Foreign Miss.	Conventional Miss.	Ch. B. and Repairs.	Baptist Orphanage.	Ministerial Ed.	Support of Poor.	Minute Fund.	All Other
First church, Asheville....	J. S. Felix, D.D.....	[illegible]	$393.34	.....	$45.58	$136.19	$9[illegible].2	$3,910.97	$12.00	$.....	$8[illegible].33	$5.00	.....
West End church.....	[illegible]. E. Brown.....	800	132.21	.....	.....	43.62	64.99	225.00	13.65	.....	20.00	2.00	.....
Beaverdam church.....	W. W. Jones.....	200	18.42	.....	6.69	.....	12.15	6.[illegible]0	8.28	.....	1.33	1.00	$63.2
Berea church.....	E. J. Harrell.....	200	18.42	.....	.....	6.69	.....	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.65	.....
Fern Hill church.....	W. W. Jones.....	225	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.67	.....	5.[illegible]6	.....	.....	.85	.....
Hominy church.....	T. C. King.....	175	.....	.....	.....	2.00	10.00	9.[illegible]5	1.31	.....	.....	.65	.....
Flat Creek	J. F. Sams.....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.25	.....
Mt. Olive church.....	Joseph Cordell.....	25	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vernon Hill church.....	M. A. Adams.....	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.50	44.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spring Mountain church....	E. J. Harrell.....	25	9.00	.....	.....	1.00	.50	75.00	1.50	.....	.....	.40	.....
Avery's Creek church.....	T. L. Brown.....	36	.....	.....	.....	2.78	.96	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....
Cane Creek church.....	E. J. Harrell.....	200	12.50	.....	.....	44.65	13.81	15.77	10.00	.....	3.00	1.50	.....
Mt. Carmel church.....		127.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.42	.....	.....	5.00	.....	1.00	.....
Morgan Hill church.....	John Ammons.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.15	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.25	.....
Antioch church.....	W. T. Bradley	100	.....	.....	.....	5.00	7.01	.....	3.20	.....	.....	1.31	.....
Liberty church.....	M. E. Sluder.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.60	.....
Brown's Chapel.....	M. S. Profit	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.00	.....	.....	.....	.35	.....
Bent Creek church.....		.....	42.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.65	.....
Big Ivy church..... ...	S. W. Hall.....	60	.....	.....	.....	2.33	.....	.....	2.33	.....	.....	.60	.....
White Rock church.....	T. C. King.....	50	35.00	.....	.....	2.50	6.66	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....
Bethel church.....	Adam Bright	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.65	.....
Pleasant Hill church.....	F. M. Presley.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.50	.....
Trinity church.....		25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.70	.....
Nash's Creek church.....	W. M. Jamison.....	100	75.00	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Locust Grove church	A. J. Sprinkle	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Burnsville Hill church.....	G. W. Gonell.....	50	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.30	.....
Palestine church.....	F. M. Presley.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.55	.....
Chestnut Grove church.....	W. T. Bradley.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.75	.....

French Broad Avenue, Beulah, Oak Grove, Sulphur Springs, New Salem, North Fork Swannanoa, not represented.

CHURCHES	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES.	Church Constituted.	Sabbath of Meeting.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded	Dead.	Present Membership. Males.	Females.	Total.
First church, Asheville	E. B. Stradley, Asheville	1829	*	19	37	1	44	16	3			819
West End church	L. N. Durham, Asheville	1893	*	28	31	4	13	5	1	93	150	243
Beaverdam church	Edwin P. Stradley, Asheville.	1885	2-4	9	4			1	1	36	28	64
Berea church	B. G. Shope, Asheville	1853	3	5	3		3	2		52	60	112
Fern Hill church	E. J. Gibson, Biltmore	1889	1-3	11	3		4			22	38	60
Hominy church	E. C. Morgan, Candler	1812	1-3	10	1	2	1	1	1	54	76	130
Flat Creek church	W. P. Bruce, Stocksville	1811	1		8		8		2			170
Mt. Olive church	R. A. Stewart	1891	2	7	2				1	17	13	30
Vernon Hill church	G. W. Ballard, Inanda	1883	1	10			2		3	31	44	75
Spring Mountain church	R. L. Felman, Fair View	1889	4	17	1	3	5	1				
Avery's Creek church	Jessee Ingram	1828	3		6			4		19	35	54
Cane Creek church	R. A. Morgan, Fair View	1806	2-4	6	14	3	16	5		69	106	175
Mt. Carmel church	L. D. Brookshire, Emma	1885	1	7	2		10	3		47	59	106
Morgan Hill church	W. J. Goldsmith, Morgan Hill	1866	4	18	11	8	14		3	66	97	163
Antoch church	T. J. Garrison, Democrat	1883	1-3	19	2	3	8		1	76	109	185
Liberty church	R. G. Young, Hominy	1895								18	24	42
Brown's Chapel	L. D. Maney, Beach	1852	4	6	4	1	3			26	41	67
Bent Creek church	M. T. Johnson, Inanda	1845	2									84
White Rock church	J. W. Jones, Dunsmore	1881	4		2							77
Big Ivy church	G. H. Blankenship, Barnardsville	1823	2	6	2		3	1	1			160
Bethel church	George Spivey	1855	4	1	1		6		1	21	44	65
Pleasant Hill church	J. P. Corn	1879	4		9		3	3				59
Trinity church	E. H. Britt, Acton	1874	1	6	4				1			30
Gash's Creek church	R. C. Sales, Rest Haven	1856	2	6	3	1	3	4	1			100
Locust Grove church	J. E. Chandler, Stocksville	1891	2	1	1		4					81
Burnsville Hill church	Z. J. Edge, Asheville	1897										30
Palestine church	Austin Penley, Rest Haven	1897			4							17
Chestnut Grove church	J. B. Hyatt, Dillingham	1895	4	21	8				1	18	31	49
	Total			213	172	20	151	46	22			3,247

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I—NAME.

SECTION 1. This body shall be known as the "BUNCOMBE COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION."

ARTICLE II.—CONSTITUENCY.

SECTION 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for. Provided, however. That any church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient from natural causes to belong to this body shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

SEC. 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor, and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

SEC. 3. The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body, without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE III.—OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

SEC. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive

all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.—OBJECT.

SECTION 1. It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the Western Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Mission, Foreign Mission, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

ARTICLE V.—COMMITTEES.

SECTION 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the next Asssociation, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of said committ es to report, in writing, on the subject given them in charge while the Association is in session.

ARTICLE VI.—EXECUTIVE BOARD.

SEC. 1. This body shall at each Annual Meeting appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of the Western Baptist Convention in supplying the destitution within our bounds.

ARTICLE VII.—CHURCH LETTERS.

SEC. 1. The church letter shall give the following information, to wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; name of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their post office; number baptised, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members, time of prayer meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday school and Bible Missions, and if for

any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday school to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and post office of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.—BY-LAWS.

SEC. 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE IX.—MEETING.

SEC. 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.—PRINTING.

SEC. 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI.—CORRESPONDENCE.

SEC. 1. This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII.—FAITH.

SEC. 1. This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

SEC. 2. As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII.—AMENDMENT.

SEC. 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

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ASHEVILLE, N. C.

To My Patrons:

I do not believe you can find a place in Asheville or in North Carolina where you can buy more goods for the money than in our store.

We are striving to give our trade goods at the very lowest price or on the very shortest margin.

We try to work none but good honest help that will treat you fair and square, and we will thank any customer that will report any wrong treatment received at our store.

If we had time and space we would give you our price all the way through, but we want to call your attention to a great job in Bibles—a large, well printed, self-pronouncing Bible for Teachers at $1.25.

We intend to make this year 1897 the Banner Year of our business, and can not do this unless we get your help, and can not get your help unless we make it to your interest to deal with us.

J. M. Stoner.

Minutes of the Buncombe County Baptist Association, of North Carolina. 1898

MINUTES

OF THE

Seventeenth Annual Session

OF THE

Buncombe County Baptist Association

OF NORTH CAROLINA,

HELD WITH

Brown's Chapel Church,

AUGUST 16, 17 AND 18, 1898.

Compiled by F. M. Willians, Clerk.

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Moderator :

Rev. A. E. Brown ..... Asheville, N. C.

Clerk :

F. M. Williams ..... Morgan Hill, N. C.

Treasurer :

Jno. M. Stoner ..... Asheville, N. C.

Historian :

Rev. W. T. Bradley ..... Morgan Hill, N. C.

Ordained Ministers :

J. S. Felix, D.D., Asheville, N.C.	E. J. Morgan, Candler, N. C.
J. W. Anderson, " "	H. P. Rich.
A. E. Brown, " "	G. W. Peebles.
W. W. Jones, " "	W. Ward.
W. Haynes, " "	W. A. Robertson, Barnardsville.
W. T. Bradley, Morgan Hill, "	L. Y. Israel, Dunsmore, N. C.
S. J. Morgan, " " "	S. F. Moore.
M. S. Proffitt, Democrat, "	J. C. Cordell.
T. C. King, Fairview, "	T. K. Brown, Black Mt., "
W. M. Jamison, Rest Haven, "	F. M. Presley, Biltmore, "
S. C. Owen, Candler, "	W. T. Springs, Inanda, "
Merritt Sluder, Juno, "	James Plemmons, " "

Executive Board :

Rev. T. C. King, John P. Morgan and Dr. L. B. McBrayer.

The next meeting of the Buncombe County Association will be held with Berea Church, seven miles above Biltmore, beginning on Tuesday after second Sunday in August, at 11 a. m. 1899.

Introductory preacher, Rev. A. E. Brown.

Alternate, Rev. W. T. Bradley.

PROCEEDINGS.

Brown's Chapel, Aug. 16, 1898.

The Buncombe County Baptist Association met today in its Seventeenth Session with Brown's Chapel Church, and at 11 a. m. was called today by Moderator A. E. Brown. Sang, When I can read my titles clear. Prayer by Rev. C. S. Cashwell. The introductory sermon was then preached by Rev. W. W. Jones, from the text "Lord I pray thee open his eyes that he may see." Sec. Kings 6:17. Prayer at close of sermon by Moderator Brown. On motion the Association took a recess of one hour.

FIRST DAY—Afternoon Session.

The Association reassembled at 1:30 p. m. Sang, Alas, and did my Saviour bleed. Prayer by Rev. T. C. King. The Moderator appointed Rev. T. C. King and J. M. Stoner reading clerks, and letters were read and delegates enrolled from churches as follows:

FIRST CHURCH, ASHEVILLE—J. M. Stoner, J. R. Rich and J. H. Tucker.

ANTIOCH—J. H. Woodward, J. W. Arrowood and S. E. Edwards.

AVERY'S CREEK—Taylor Rickman and Jesse Ingram.

BIG IVY—A. M. Burlison, G. F. Morrow R. H. Dewese, H. C. Hensley, S. J. Carter and S. H. Williams.

BEREA—W. D. Allison, Parley Hemphill, Horace Gragg, Charley Hall, James Cordell, Horace Shope and Gaither Shope.

BETHEL—J. P. Brookshire, J. E. Brookshire, H. C. Ingle, H. P. Rich, T. N. Lankford and W. M. Embler.

BURNSVILLE HILL—Wm. Rodes and W. P. Bryant.

BROWN'S CHAPEL—Milton Revis, C. H. Buckner, Wesley Ingle and L. D. Maney.

BLACK MOUNTAIN—John Hensley, S. W. Haney and Redmon McMahon.

BEAVERDAM—W. E. Masters, E. P. Stradley and J. T. Justice.

CANE CREEK—Rev. T. C. King, A. W. Morgan, S. J. Ashworth, W. S. Shitle, J. A. Wray, H. C. Earley, G. W. Sales, J. L. Ashworth, Wm. Wright, J. Merrell and J. R. Lanning.

CHESTNUT GROVE—O. B. Holcombe, Gaither Hensley, E. D. Hensley, Joel Brigman and J. W. Dillingham.

FLAT CREEK—H. G. McLean, W. S. Roberts, J. T. Myers, J. B. Roberts and L. J. Williams.

FERN HILL—Rev. W. W. Jones, J. M. Brookshire.

GASH'S CREEK—John A. Brookshire, J. M. Brookshire, John Sales and Ora Sales.

HOMINY—M. H. Morgan, R. A. Jones, R. I. Taylor, L. S. Clark and Rev. S. C. Owen.

LIBERTY—Rev. M. Sluder and John Holcombe.

MORGAN HILL—F. M. Williams, O. T. Bell, J. F. Cheek, J. N. Morgan, N. T. Morgan, G. L. Farmer, W. M. Sheppard, Rev. W. T. Bradley and Rev. S. J. Morgan.

MOUNT CARMEL—Rev. M. Sluder, F. Sluder, Jesse Ryme, D. E. Ramsey, L. Plemmons and R. N. Brookshire.

PLEASANT HILL—J. A. Rogers, J. D. Taylor, R. E. Allen and G. W. Robertson.

SPRING MOUNTAIN—R. O. Chatham, F. M. Reed, Leander Freeman and P. L. Guffee.

TRINITY—E. H. Britt and C. N. McKinney.

VERNON HILL—S. I. Keeler.

WHITE ROCK—Rev. G. W. Peebles, L. E. Morgan, L. R. Bird, Wm. Jones, W. L. Foster, O. L. Israel.

WEST END, ASHEVILLE—Rev. A. E. Brown, J. P. Morgan and W. T. Land.

On motion the delegates from the following churches were

recognized, their letter not having not yet arrived: West End, Flat Creek, Avery's Creek and Beaverdam.

Time having arrived for permanent organization on motion, suspended the constitutional rule for electing moderator by ballot and on motion our present moderator, Rev. A. E. Brown, was selected by acclamation. Re-elected F. M. Williams, Clerk; J. M. Stoner, Treasurer, and Rev. W. T. Bradley, Historian. Words of welcome were here spoken in behalf of the Church and community of Brown's Chapel by Rev. T. K. Brown. Response on the part of the Association by Rev. T. C. King.

On invitation the following brethren accepted seats in the Association: Rev. C. S. Cashwell, Corresponding Secretary of the Western N. C. Baptist Convention; Rev. T. L. Brown, correspondent from the Carolina Association.

The Moderator announced the following committees: On Temperance—S. J. Morgan, W. H. Earley, J. D. Taylor and P. L. Guffey.

On Sunday Schools—T. C. King, J. H. Woodward, M. H. Morgan and J. T. Justice.

On Baptist Orphanage—J. M. Stoner, L. J. Williams, M. S. Proffitt and Chas. Hall.

On Periodicals—J. P. Morgan, G. W. Peebles and J. M. Brookshire.

On Education—J. F. Cheek, T. K. Brown, S. C. Owen.

On Foreign Missions—W. W. Jones, J. A. Brookshire, W. T. Land, W. S. Roberts and F. Sluder.

On Home and Conventional Missions—C. S. Cashwell, G. F. Morgan, O. T. Bell, A. M. Burlison, J. W. Roberts and R. I. Taylor.

On Baptist Young People's Union—T. L. Brown, L. Plemmons, John Roberts and Rev. J. W. Anderson.

On Finance—J. M. Stoner and L. D. Maney.

On Associational Missions—W. T. Bradley, J. W. Arro-

wood, J. A. Roberts, James Cordell, John Holcombe and J. Merrell.

On Religious Worship—Pastor and Deacons of Brown's Chapel Church.

On Time, Place and Annual Sermon—M. H. Morgan, S. H. Williams, Jas. Cordell and Joel Brigman.

On State of the Churches—T. C. King, W. W. Jones, T. K. Brown, S. C. Owen and W. T. Bradley.

On motion the following committee was appointed to consider the request of the Western N. C. Baptist Convention to unite with the Baptist State Convention and report to this session of the Association: J. P. Morgan, J. M. Brookshire and C. S. Cashwell.

On motion last year's order of business was adopted as follows: Meet at 9 a. m. and spend half hour in prayer and praise; (2) adjourn at 12 m.; (3) meet at 1 p. m.; (4) adjourn at will.

ORDER OF HEARING REPORTS.

1. Home and Conventional Missions.
2. Associational Missions.
3. Periodicals.
4. Foreign Missions.
5. Sunday Schools.
6. Baptist Young People's Union.
7. Education.
8. Orphanage.
9. Temperance.
10. Finance.
11. Time, Place and Annual Sermon.

The Association having gone through the regular routine of business, on motion agreed to spend a short time in hearing short speeches from the brethren.

Sang, How firm a foundation.

Remarks by W. T. Bradley, T. C. King, J. P. Morgan, J. W. Anderson, J. M. Stoner, S. C. Owen and A. E. Brown.

At the close of these earnest speeches, by the request of Bro. T. C. King, spent a few minutes in fervent prayer, led by several of the brethren, for the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in our midst during the meetings.

On motion adjourned to 9 a. m. tomorrow after benediction by the Moderator.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

Wednesday, August 17, 1898.

The Association met at 9 a. m. and spent a short time in devotional service conducted by Rev. T. L. Brown.

Moderator Brown in the chair. Minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Letters were read from Avery's Creek, Flat Creek, Beaverdam and Trinity Churches.

On motion suspended the regular order of hearing reports to hear the report of the committee on Union of Convention, which report was read by J. P. Morgan as follows:

Resolved, That the Buncombe County Association recommend the consolidation of the Western and State Conventions.

J. P. MORGAN,
J. M. BROOKSHIRE,
C. S. CASHWELL,
Committee.

Remarks on the report by J. P. Morgan, T. C. King, C. S. Cashwell, T. M. Honeycutt, T. K. Brown, S. C. Owen, W. W. Jones and the Moderator. A special prayer, led by Bro. Cashwell, Corresponding Secretary of the Convention, was offered for the spirit's guidance in voting on the report. Report adopted.

The Moderator designated the Clerk to convey to the Convention the action of the Association on the above report.

Rev. T. M. Honeycutt accepted a seat as correspondent from the French Broad Association.

Report of committee on Home and Conventional Missions read by C. S. Cashwell. Remarks by Bro. Cashwell and at the close of this very earnest speech took a collection for Conventional Missions amounting to $5.43. Report adopted.

REPORT ON HOME AND CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS.

As to the fields of labor we refer to the report of last year. We would call special attention to the condition of things in Cuba. The opportunity and obligation of our Southern Baptists to take the Island for Christ. Your committee is of the opinion that our Churches are wanting in sympathetic giving. We would therefore suggest that each pastor introduce in his church or churches some form of giving regularly to Missions. The Scriptural weekly method "Lay by in store upon the first day of the week" put to practice would bring astonishing results.

C. S. CASHWELL, Chairman Committee.

Report of the committee on Periodicals read by J. M. Brookshire. Remarks by Bro. Brookshire and J. P. Morgan. Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your Committee on Periodicals report that one of the great drawbacks to our church work is the lack of dissemination of religious literature. We therefore recommend and urge that all our church members subscribe for and read the "Western North Carolina Baptist," the organ of our Convention. Also the "Biblical Recorder," and "Charity and Children." We also recommend and urge all who can to take and read the Foreign Mission Journal. By so doing they will be strengthened and Christ's cause advanced and his name glorified.

J. P. MORGAN,
G. W. PEEBLES,
J. M. BROOKSHIRE,
Committee.

The hour for recess having arrived, on motion the time was extended to take subscriptions to the "Western N. C. Baptist." The Association then took a recess of one hour and partook of a bountiful basket dinner.

SECOND DAY—Afternoon Session.

The Association reassembled at 2 p. m. and was led in prayer by Bro. T. M. Honeycutt of the French Broad Association.

The report on Associational Missions was presented by W. T. Bradley. After remarks by W. T. Bradley, T. C. King, J. T. Myers, W. W. Jones, J. Merrell and J. M. Stoner the following pledges were made and cash contributed for church building at Weaverville and Brown's Chapel:

For Weaverville, Fern Hill, $10. M. H. Morgan, $1; delegates Big Ivy Church, $3; delegates Pleasant Hill Church, $2; Gash's Creek, $5; J. W. Starnes, $5, paid; cash collected, $1.31. Total cash and pledges, $27.31.

For Brown's Chapel—T. K. Brown, $5; J. W. Starnes, $5, paid; J. A. Cordell, $1; W. W. Jones, $1, paid; A. E. Brown, 1; John Holcombe, $2; W. T. Bradley, $1; S. J. Morgan, $1; J. T. Justice, $1, paid; J. M. Brookshire, $1, paid; J. R. Rich, $1, paid. Total in cash and pledges, $20.

The following pledges were made for Associational Missions: First Church, Asheville, $10; West End Church, Asheville, $10; Berea, $10; Beaverdam, $5; Fern Hill, $5; Avery's Creek, $3; Mt. Carmel, $5; Morgan Hill, $5; Antioch, $5; Liberty, $2; Brown's Chapel, $5; White Rock, $5; Pleasant Hill, $2; Gash's Creek, $5; Chestnut Grove, $1; Cane Creek, $10; Flat Creek, $5. Total, $93.

The report on Associational Missions adopted.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Associational Missions, report the

following: Portions of Cane Creek, Flat Creek, Big Ivy and the Swannanoa valley destitute of Baptist preaching. Your committee would recommend that our executive board try to supply these destitutions with monthly preaching. Weaverville is also a mission station but it is being supplied by Rev. W. W. Jones.

W. T. BRADLEY,
J. W. ARROWOOD,
J. A. ROBERTS,
JAS. CORDELL,
JOHN HOLCOMBE,
J. MERRELL,
Committee.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by W. W. Jones. Remarks by W. W. Jones, T. M. Honeycutt, S. C. Owen and J. H. Tucker. On motion the report was re-committed.

The following brethren were constituted an Associational executive board: J. P. Morgan, Rev. T. C. King, Dr. L. B. McBrayer.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by T. C. King. Remarks by T. C. King and J. H. Tucker. Report adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools submit the following. The Sunday School is one of the most important departments of church work and as such cannot be neglected. Train up a child in the way it should go is a Scriptural injunction. There is perhaps no better place to do this work than in the Sunday School. We feel that all should be interested in this great work of training souls for Christ.

T. C. KING, Chairman Committee.

The report on Time, Place and Annual Sermon was adopted as follows: Time, Tuesday after the second Sunday in August, 1899, at 11 a. m. Place, Berea Baptist Church. To

preach the annual sermon, Rev. A. E. Brown. Alternate, Rev. W. T. Bradley.

M. H. MORGAN,
S. H. WILLIAMS,
JAMES CORDELL,
JOEL BRIGMAN,
Committee.

On motion adjourned to 9 a. m. tomorrow after benediction by Rev. M. Sluder.

THIRD DAY—Morning Session.

Thursday, August 18, 1898.

The Association met at 9 a. m. Scripture reading and prayer by Bro. A. M. Burlison. Moderator Brown in the chair. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Report on Baptist Young People's Union read by T. L. Brown. Motion to adopt. Remarks by T. L. Brown, J. F. Cheek and S. I. Keeler. Report adopted.

REPORT ON BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.

A failure to appreciate the full import of our Saviour's last great command, commonly called the Great Commission, is doubtless the cause for the neglect of the training of our young people upon the part of our pastors and churches. An analysis of this commission discovers four separate and distinct commands, viz: (1) to go, (2) to make disciples, (3) to baptize and (4) to discipline or train.

Our responsibilities, then, as pastors and teachers, do not cease when we have gone to the sinner, made a disciple of him, and baptized him. He must then be trained. He must be taught the will and commandments of Christ.

As a very efficient means of enlisting our young people and stimulating them to activity, we earnestly recommend the or-

ganization of Young People's Unions in every church where it is possible.

T. L. BROWN,
L. PLEMMONS,
JOHN ROBERTS,
REV. J. W. ANDERSON,
Committee.

Report on Education, presented by J. F. Cheek. Motion to adopt.

Remarks by J. F. Cheek, T. M. Honeycutt and T. C. King. Report adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We, your committee, beg leave to submit the following report:

Realizing the great importance of Education to our denomination and the urgent demands of progress we entreat our people to awake and put for their every effort for the education of the boys and girls of Western North Carolina.

It is gratifying to note the erection of new school buildings, which is a step forward, but more and aggressive ones must be taken. Actions must be decisive. Opportunities are not always being offered. Our Baptist Schools must be patronized. Primary and academic schools must be increased in numbers and put upon a more permanent system of business.

We commend the various schools of Mars Hill, Antioch, Fairview, Hominy and Clyde for their work and recommend these schools to the people of Western North Carolina for collegiate and ministerial education.

We commend Wake Forest college and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The call of the hour is for better educated preachers and teachers. The people are going to have them, and the ques-

tion with us is, Do we propose to furnish them? The answer is, We can if we will.

J. F. CHEEK,
S. C. OWEN,
T. K. BROWN,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on the Orphanage was read by Rev. T. M. Honeycutt and after remarks by Jno. W. Starnes was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

We cannot afford to ignore the claims of the institution. It was created by and belongs to the Baptists of N. C. and is looking to them for its support. While it is enlarging its capacities for usefulness it is creating a necessity for more liberal aid. Let us then see to it that in our own churches and Sunday Schools this work is not neglected. We recommend our churches to take at least one collection during the year and that each Sunday School take monthly collections for the Orphanage.

REV. T. M. HONEYCUTT, For Committee.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions, re-committed yesterday, was re-read and after remarks by Moderator Brown and T. C. King was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions submit the following: It is with profound gratitude to God that we record the fact that at the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention last May the Board was able to report no debt on hand at that time. But we are grieved to notice that there has been a sad falling off in contributions since the Convention.

Our current expenses are about $9000 per month. According to the Foreign Mission Journal for the two and a half months since the Convention, that is to about July 5th, there

had only been about $7500 contributed. So this would leave us now with a debt on hand for current expenses since the Convention of more than $20,000, and brethren unless our contributions come in for the next few months much better than they have done we will soon be hampered as we never have been before with a great debt upon us. It is true that some few of our missionary points are self-supporting. But while this should encourage and make us grateful, at the same time we should remember that the great "rank and file" of our workers must still be supported by us while they carry on the Lord's work. God's Word is very explicit, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Now unless we "go" we fail to do what God requires of us. "Let us not be weary in well doing for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." Let us work and let us pray that God may abundantly bless us in doing this great work of His that He has commanded us to do.

We would call the attention of the Association to our missionary, Miss Lottie W. Price, at Shanghai, China, and recommend that our pastors keep her before their churches and Sunday Schools and encourage their people to bear her up on their prayers. She looks to us for her support and we should not forget her temporal wants. We are sorry to report that for the past year we have fallen short on her support. Let us see to it that this does not occur again.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. JONES,
J. A. BROOKSHIRE,
W. T. LAND,
W. S. ROBERTS,
F. SLUDER,

Committee.

The following pledges were made for the support of our missionary, Miss Lottie W. Price: First Church, Asheville, $100; West End Church, Asheville, $30; Beaverdam, $20;

Berea, $10; Fern Hill, $25; Vernon Hill, $5; Spring Mountain, $2.50; Avery's Creek, $2.50; Cane Creek, $15; Mount Carmel, $10; Morgan Hill, $5; Antioch, $5; White Rock, $5; Pleasant Hill, $2; Chestnut Grove, $2. Total amount $239.

The committee's report on Temperance was read by the Clerk. Remarks by S. J. Morgan, A. E. Brown, J. F. Cheek and S. I. Keeler. Report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to report as follows: Paul says to abstain from every appearance of evil, and when he says "be ye temperate in all things" he certainly meant to be abstemious in all things lawful with which we have to do. He had no reference to alcoholic or spirituous liquors but meant we should be abstemious in all things lawful with which we have to do. Brethren, the most important phase of the subject is, Is there any evil connected with spirituous liquors? If so the Apostle admonishes us to abstain from it, or if there is an appearance of evil abstain "from it." Touch not taste not, handle not. Be not among wine bibbers. Prov. 23:20. Why not be among them? How can they injure us? A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump. First Cor. 5:6. We therefore advise the churches composing this Association to place their veto on this great monster evil and suppress it in every possible manner, believing it to be one of God's greatest enemies and the Devil's best friend. Paul says, "If any man that is called a brother" be a drunkard with such an one no not to eat. First Cor. 5:11. We therefore advise the churches to withdraw fellowship from drunkards. Tiplers, dram drinkers. Tiplers—dram drinkers make drunkards. Not less than 125,000 die annually in the U. S. from the effects of ardent spirits. Making 60,000 widows; 400,000 orphans; 200,000 of whom are partially cared for and 200,000 whose destiny is sealed in darkness and ignorance.

May God help us to be up and doing. Why will we tol-

erate drunkenness or dram drinking more than murder? Is not the soul of much greater importance than the body. Financially, it is sucking the nation. One billion dollars are spent annually for ardent spirits. God has chosen his people (the church) to conduct and control all moral issues. What will we do? We, the Buncombe County Association, therefore refuse to receive or fellowship any church that tolerates drunkenness or dram drinking.

Respectfully submitted,

S. J. MORGAN,
W. H. EARLEY,
T. L. GUFFEE,
J. D. TAYLOR,
Committee.

The Committee on Finance submitted their report which was adopted as follows:

Collected for Minutes	$23.64
Collected for Foreign Missions	6.00
Collected for Conventional Missions	12.29
Collected for Orphanage	6.50
Collected for Home Missions	17.67
Total amount	$66.10

J. M. STONER,
L. D. MANEY,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on State of the Churches presented by the Chairman, T. C. King, and after remarks by Bros. King, S. I. Keeler, A. E. Brown and Jonathan Merrell was on motion adopted as follows:

REPORT ON STATE OF CHURCHES.

We, your Committee on the State of the Churches, submit the following: Some of our Churches are doing a good work and seem to be full of love and zeal for the work of the Mas-

ter. While this is so there is quite a number of our Churches that seem to be on the retrograde. There is a spirit of restlessness among our Churches. As to the cause of this state of things we will not attempt to give a solution. We feel that something must be done to stimulate our Churches to greater effort in the Master's work. There is, or seems to be, a great lack of spirituality among our Churches. In order that we may do more for our Lord we need more of His spirit to prepare us for this work. Your committee feel that we need to pray for a great revival of religion in our Churches.

Respectfully submitted,

T. C. KING, Chairman Committee.

The Historian read his report which was, on motion, adopted as follows:

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

The sixteenth annual session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with the Hominy Baptist Church. At that meeting we had a good, harmonious session. Rev. A. E. Brown was Moderator, F. M. Williams Clerk, Jno. M. Stoner Treasurer, and Bro. W. T. Bradley Historian.

We get the following information from the letters to this Association: We have added to our Churches during the year by baptism 209 and lost by death 28. Dr. J. S. Felix resigned the care of the First Church, Asheville, and has gone from our bounds. The French Broad Baptist Church, Asheville, is without a pastor. Rev. T. C. King has been called to Cane Creek and Berea Church. Rev. S. C. Owen is pastor at Hominy. Rev. T. L. Brown of Henderson County is pastor at Mt. Carmel. Rev. Columbus Cole is pastor at Bethel, Rev. Adam Bright having resigned. Rev. W. W. Jones is preaching and building a house of worship at Weaverville. Brown's Chapel has added some repairs on her house of worship. Beaverdam Church is at present without a pastor. We are glad to

report that most all of our Churches have good Sunday Schools.

W. T. BRADLEY, Historian.

The following tabulated report of the Woman's Missionary Societies of this Association was presented by Mrs. Jno. W. Starnes, their Secretary:

Report of Corresponding and Recording Secretary of the Woman's Central Committee of Missions for the year ending July 31st, 1898, to The Buncombe County Baptist Association.

RECEIPTS AS FOLLOWS:

	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Conventional Missions	Bible Fund	Orphanage	Local Work
Hominy Church	$ 2 00	$ 1 00	$. ...	$.....	$.....	.....
Chestnut Grove	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Antioch	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Garrison School House	1 41	75	.....	84	.....	.....
Fairview	15 20	26 46	5 35	.....	9 80	3 42
Biltmore	2 69	12 66	12 11	1 15	22 56	30 42
West End	23 12	77	14 75	.....	22 27	1 30
First Church, Asheville	119 06	50 85	70 86	8 20	.....	186 00
Berea	8 25	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....
	175 23	92 49	104 57	10 19	54 63	221 04

Grand Total..... $658 15

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JOHN W. STARNES.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this Association tender its sincere thanks for the noble hospitality of the people of Reem's Creek.

J. F. CHEEK.

On motion agreed to have an Associational Union meeting on each 5th Sunday and the Moderator designated Bros. S. I. Keeler, Jno. W. Starnes and Edwin P. Stradley a committee on Program for 5th Sunday meeting in October, to be held with Beaverdam Church.

On motion the Moderator, Rev. A. E. Brown, was appointed a delegate to the next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, to be held in the City of Louisville, Ky., beginning on Friday, May 12, 1899, with Rev. T. C. King, Alternate.

Appointed Rev. T. K. Brown, Rev. M. S. Proffitt and F. M. Williams delegates to the next meeting of the Western Baptist Convention, to meet in Murphy, N. C.

On motion agreed to pay the Clerk of the Association the usual fee of $10 for his services. The Association having gone through its regular work engaged in singing and extended to each other the parting hand and adjourned to time and place with prayer by Rev. T. M. Honeycutt.

REV. A. E. BROWN, Moderator.

F. M. WILLIAMS, Clerk.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Average Attendance	Professions in Sunday Schoo	Collected for Support of School	Baptist Orphanage	Foreign Missions	Support of the Poor	Church Building and Repairs	Class Collections	Other Objects
Asheville, 1st Church.	J. H. Tucker	24	425	260		$164.37		$170.77	$14.00	$180.54	$640.69	$99 10
Antioch	J. H. Woodward	5	90	55		5.00						
Big Ivy	A. M. Burlison	10	76	50	6	1.00						
Black Mountain	J. M. Haynes	3	60	40								
Beaver Dam	W. E. Masters		60	32		5.45	4.03	27.60				
Bethel	D. H. Wild	4	60	35								
Brown's Chapel	C. H. Buckner	3	30	20		3.00						
Burnsville Hill	W. P. Bryannt		45	30		6.00						
Berea	W. D. Allison	6	60	45		4.08						2.00
Cane Creek	S. J. Ashworth	9	105			28.33						
Fern Hill	J. M. Brookshire		75	55		31.58						
Gash's Creek	M. L. Reed		50									
Hominy	O. F. Thompson	5	115	47		10.66					27.89	9.14
Liberty						10.00						3.00
Mt. Carmel	W. F. Parham	8	75	60			10.00					
Morgan Hill	T. C. Morgan	8	125	65	25	5.00						
Pleasant Hill		4	33	18	3	1.91						
Spring Mountain	Leander Freeman	4	40			1.60						
Vernon Hill											13.44	
White Rock		7				18.00						
West End, Asheville	L. N. Durham	10	298								186.93	

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Church Constituted	Sabbath of Meeting	Baptisms	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Dead	Present Membership		
										Males	Females	Total
Asheville 1st Church	E. B. Stradley, Asheville, N. C.	1829	EACH	37	38	3	24	7	2	.....	.....	864
Antioch	G. D. Carter, Democrat, "	1883	3	1	.....	.....	13	4	2	.....	.....	164
Avery's Creek	Jesse Ingram,	1828	3	20	1	2	3	1	1	29	42	71
Big Ivy	G. H. Blankenship, Barnardsville, "	1823	2	6	1	1	3	13	6	.....	.....	152
Black Mountain	B. W. Burlison, Rock View, "	1884	4	4	.....	1	4	2	.....	41	67	108
Beaver Dam	E. P. Stradley, Asheville, "	1885	2 & 4	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	3	33	25	58
Bethel	George Spivy	1855	4	16	2	.....	.....	3	1	27	52	79
Brown's Chapel	L. D. Maney, Beech, "	1852	4	10	.....	2	1	3	1	32	43	75
Burnsville Hill	W. P. Bryant, Asheville, "	1897	1	6	4	.....	4	.....	.....	17	22	39
Berea	J. B. Gragg, Riceville, "	1853	3	.....	.....	2	3	1	.....	40	45	85
Chestnut Grove	A. J. Burlison, Dillingham "	1895	4	10	.....	.....	.....	4	3	14	40	54
Cane Creek	R. A. Morgan. Fairview, "	1806	2 & 4	9	14	2	13	2	.....	70	115	185
Flat Creek	H. G. McLean, Jupiter, "	1811	1	25	8	.....	10	4	2	78	119	197
Fern Hill	E. J. Gibson, Biltmore, "	1889	1 & 3	.....	3	..	3	1	.....	20	39	59
Gash's Creek	R. C. Sales, Rest Haven, "	1856	EACH	.....		.....	5	4	.....	35	40	75
Hominy	E. C. Morgan, Candler, "	1812	1	.....	1		7	.....	.....	57	70	127
Liberty	R. G. Young, Hominy, "	....	2	5	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	35	54
Mount Carmel	L. D. Brookshire, Emma, "	1885	1	.....		.....	6	2	2	45	53	98
Morgan Hill	W. J. Goldsmith, Morgan Hill, "	1866	4	28	14	2	1	1	1	89	108	197
Pleasant Hill	J. D. Taylor, Alexander, "	1879	4	4	20	.....	3	1	.....	33	41	74
Palestine	.....	1897		.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	11	9	20
Spring Mountain	B. F. Nesbit, Fairview, "	1889	4	.....	1	.....	3	4	1	29	37	66
Trinity	E. H. Britt. Acton, "	1874	1	2	.....	.....	3	2	. ...	10	18	28
Vernon Hill	E. J. Rhodes, Inanda, "	1883	2 & 4	.....	.....	.....	2		1	.....	.....	28
White Rock	O. L. Israel, Glady, "	1881	4	26	4	3	2	.....	2	54	63	117
West End, Asheville.	L. N. Durham, Asheville, "	1893	EACH	12	14	.....	11	3	5	84	148	232

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES	PASTOR	Pastor's Salary	Incidental Expenses	Associational Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Conventional Missions	Church Building and Repairs	Baptist Orphanage	Support of the Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects
Asheville, 1st Church		$2500 00	$ 497.05	$	$50.60	$134.97	$111.22	$3882.43	$70.20	$ 41.06	$ 5.00	$ 8.20
Antioch	W. T. Bradley	75.00	8.00	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	3.60	.....	1 00	.....
Avery's Creek	T. L. Brown	50.00	.....	.....	84	1.64	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Big Ivy	S. W. Hall	33.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25	.....
Black Mountain	James Blankenship	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....
Beaver Dam		.....	10.58	.....	5.00	6.25	32.03	.....	5.91	.....	1.00	5.40
Bethel	C. D Cole	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80	.....
Brown's Chapel	M. S. Proffitt	17.79	.....	.....	.....	.10	.....	31.71	.....	.....	70	.....
Burnsville Hill	J. W. Anderson	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....
Berea		100.00	5.00	2.00	.....	5.00	1.50	11.50	5.20	.....	15	.....
Chestnut Grove	W. T. Bradley	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....
Cane Creek	T. C. King	150.00	20.00	.....	28.32	23.73	21.75	7.00	16.85	10.00	1.65	8.65
Flat Creek	J. F. Sams	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	85	.....
Fern Hill	W. W. Jones	198.48	.....	.....	15.26	10.05	9.18	14.00	27.56	.....	1.00	40.00
Gash's Creek	W. M. Jameson	100.00	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	100.00
Hominy	S. C. Owen	.....	.....	1.85	.....	*22.10	7.95	.....	3.00	.....	1.14	.....
Liberty	M. Sluder	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	.....
Mount Carmel	T. L. Brown	80.00	.....	.....	.....	4.82	4.83	.....	.....	.....	1.20	.....
Morgan Hill	John Ammons	45.00	6.00	.....	.....	2.51	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.10	.....
Pleasant Hill	F. M. Presley	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	65	.....
Palestine	F. M. Presley	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Spring Mountain	J. A. Staten	25.00	.....	.....	50	1.00	.....	11.75	2.00	.....	40	.....
Trinity	H. M. Rich	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Vernon Hill	S. I. Keeler	44.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	6.90
White Rock	T. C. King	75.00	.....	.....	4.41	4.41	.....	.....	1.18	.....	1.00	.....
West End, Asheville	A. E. Brown	720.00	129.31	.....	.....	45.50	25.00	194.00	34.18	20.00	2.00	.....

* Gospel Mission Plan.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—Name.

Section 1. This body shall be known as the "Buncombe County Baptist Association."

ARTICLE II.—Constituency.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the Church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for. Provided, however, That any Church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient from natural causes to belong to this body shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Section 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor, and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

Section 3. The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body, without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE III.—Officers.

Section 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Section 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive

all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.—Object.

Section 1. It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the Western Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Mission, Foreign Mission, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

ARTICLE V.—Committees.

Section 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday Schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of said committees to report, in writing, on the subject given them in charge while the Association is in session.

ARTICLE VI.—Executive Board.

Section 1. This body shall at each Annual Meeting appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of the Western Baptist Convention in supplying the destitution within our bounds.

ARTICLE VII.—Church Letters.

Section 1. The Church letter shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; name of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in

membership, with their postoffice; number baptised, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members, time of prayer meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday School and Bible Missions, and if for any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday School to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and postoffice of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.—By-Laws.

Section 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE IX.—Meeting.

Section 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.—Printing.

Section 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI.—Correspondence.

Section 1. This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII.—Faith.

Section 1. This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is

its platform and only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Section 2. As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII.—Amendment.

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

Minutes of the Buncombe County Baptist Association of North Carolina 1899

MINUTES

OF THE

Eighteenth Annual Session

OF THE

Buncombe County Baptist Association

OF NORTH CAROLINA,

HELD WITH

Berea = Baptist = Church,

AUGUST 15, 16 AND 17, 1899.

Compiled by T. C. King.

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

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Rev. W. T. Bradley.....Morgan Hill, N. C.

Clerk:

Rev. T. C. King,..... Riceville, N. C.

Treasurer:

John M. Stoner.....Asheville, N. C.

Historian:

Dr. L. B. McBrayer,..... .....Asheville, N. C.

Ordained Ministers:

W. M. Vines, Asheville, N. C.
J. W. Anderson, " "
A. E. Brown, " "
J. F. Vines, " "
W. Haynes, " "
W. P. Southern, " "
W. T. Bradley, Morgan Hill, "
S. J. Morgan, " " "
M. S. Proffit, Democrat, "
T. C. King, Riceville, "
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S. F. Moore, Fair View, "
J. M. Hemric, " "
T. K. Brown, Bl'k Mt., "
J. C. Cordell, "
S. I. Keeler, Inanda, "
T. L. Brown, "
James Plemmons, "

The next session of this body will be held with old Big Ivy Church, beginning on Tuesday after the second Sunday in August, 1900, at 11 a. m.

Introductory preacher—Rev. T. C. King.

Alternate—Rev. C. H. Durham.

PROCEEDINGS:

BEREA BAPTIST CHURCH, Aug. 15, 1899.

The Buncombe County Baptist Association met today in its eighteenth annual session with Berea Baptist Church, at 11 a. m.

Prayer by Rev. S. I. Keeler.

The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. John E. White, corresponding secretary of the Baptist State Convention. Text, Heb. 2:3.

Prayer by Rev. C. H. Durham.

Adjourned one hour for dinner

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reassembled at 1 p. m. Prayer by Rev. W. A. Roberson. The body was called to order by Rev. A. E. Brown, former moderator.

On motion Rev. T. C. Brown was made temporary secretary. Dr. L. B. McBrayer and S. P. Davis were appointed reading clerks.

Letters from the various churches were read and delegates' names enrolled as follows. On motion the delegates from Ivy Hill, a newly-constituted church, were received pending the reception of the church in this body. On motion a committee on credentials was appointed, consisting of T. C. King, W. T. Bradley, C. H. Durham:—

ASHEVILLE FIRST CHURCH—Rev, W. M. Vines, Rev. J. W. Anderson, C. C. Matthews, Dr. W. P. Whittington, John M. Stoner and J. R. Rich.

ANTIOCH—T. C. Morgan, P. M. Lovins, J. H. Woodward, Lee Stockton and G. D. Carter.

AVERY'S CREEK—Thomas Stradley and Gaston Ingram.

BIG IVY—Rev. W. A. Roberson, H. D. Payne, Harrison Hensley and S. H. Williams.

BEREA—Rev. T. C. King, James Cordell, W. D. Allison, Harrison Shope, Henry Byas, Sherman Cordell and Judson Rice.

BETHEL—A. A. Ingle, D. H. Wild and J. P. Brookshire.

Burnsville Hill—Rev. J. W. Anderson.

Brown's Chapel—Milton Revice and Robert Buckner.

Biltmore—Dr. A. S. Whitaker.

Black Mountain—J. M. Burlison and John Hensley.

Beaverdam—J. T. Justice, J. H. Stradley and G. Y. Stradley.

Cane Creek—A. H. Pinkerton, A. W. Morgan, W. H. Earley, G. W. Sales, W. A. Merrell and W. M. Wright.

Chestnut Grove—S. M. Riddle.

French Broad—Rev. C. H. Durham, S. P. Davis and Ambrose Rector.

Flat Creek—W. S Roberts, W. P. Bronce, T. B. Redmon and J B. Roberts.

Gash's Creek—Rev. W. M. Jamerson and T. J. Ingle.

Hominy—J. J. Miller.

Ivy Hill—S. R. Morgan, N. T. Morgan and Luther Burnett.

Liberty—L W. Young and J. R. Sawyer.

Mount Olive—R. A. Stewart, James Howington and T. D. Scarborough.

Morgan Hill—Rev. W. T. Bradley, W. J. Goldsmith, M. N. Bradley, James N. Morgan.

Mount Carmel—Rev. T. L. Brown, N. Plemmons, D. S. Sluder, F. Sluder, J. L. Sluder and John Knight.

Pleasant Hill—W. L. Coats, G. W. Roberson and J. W. Thomerson.

Mountain View—A. W. Walker, James H. Wooten.

Palestine—J. W. Bailey.

Spring Mountain—S. W. Guffy.

Vernon Hill—Rev. S. I. Keeler.

West End—Rev. A. E. Brown, Dr. L. B. McBrayer, John P Morgan and W. E. Logan.

The body was permanently organized with W. T. Bradley moderator, T. C. King secretary, John M. Stoner treasurer and Dr. L. B. McBrayer historian.

The following visitors and correspondents were welcomed to seats in the body: Rev. John E. White, corresponding secretary of the B. S. C.; J. W. Bailey, editor of

the Biblical Recorder; John L. Kesler, Baptist Female University of Raleigh, N. C; W. L. Shaw, representing the Recorder; Rev. J. H. Curry, from Alabama; James Justice, from the Carolina Association; Rev. W. A. Roberson, formerly of the Yancey County Association, who is now a pastor in this Association; recognized Rev. S. I. Keeler, who has been ordained to the ministry this year; Rev. J. A. Bradley, from the French Broad Association; Rev. C. H. Durham, pastor French Broad Church—all of whom accepted seats with us, making well-timed and appropriate talks.

The moderator then announced the following committees:

Temperance—J. H. Stradley, A. W. Morgan and J. A. Bradley.

Sunday Schools—C. H. Durham, J. H. Woodward, J. T. Justice, Sumpter Morgan and S. P. Davis.

Orphanage—Dr. W. P. Whittington, W. S. Roberts, T. C. Morgan and A. Johnson.

Periodicals—W. A. Roberson, Dr. A. S. Whitaker, M. S. Proffitt and J. W. Bailey.

Education—T. C. King, J. W. Bailey, S. I. Keeler and John E. White.

Foreign Missions—C. H. Durham, J. N. Morgan and W. H. Earley.

State and Associational Missions—T. L. Brown, L. B. McBrayer, S. P. Davis, A. H. Pinkerton and John E. White.

Home Missions—W. M. Vines, John E. White, P. H. Shope, T. J. Ingle and W. J. Goldsmith.

Baptist Young People's Union—J. F. Vines and S. M. Riddle.

Finance—John M. Stoner, G. D. Carter and M. W. Hamrick.

Religious Worship—Pastor and deacons of Berea Church.

Time, Place and Sermon—W. A. Roberson, G. W. Sales, John Brookshire and M. N. Bradley.

State of Churches—T. C. Morgan and George Roberson.

On motion of A. E. Brown, the constitution was so amended as to destroy the bounds of the Western Baptist Convention, making it one with the Baptist State Convention.

A. Johnson, editor of Charity and Children, was announced and accepted a seat in the Association at this time.

Rev. A. E. Brown, general missionary, addressed the Association on the subject of State missions.

On motion, the order of business of last year was adopted, as follows: (1.) Meet at 9 a. m. and spend half hour in prayer and praise; (2) adjourn at 12 m.; (3) meet at 1 p. m.; (4) adjourn at will.

The following committees were requested to report as follows: Educational at 8 o'clock tonight; report on periodicals was set for 9:30 tomorrow; report on State and Associational Missions was set for 10:30 tomorrow; report on Orphanage was made special order for 1 p. m. tomorrow.

On motion to adjourn announcements were made and homes assigned. Prayer and benediction by Rev. T. L. Brown.

8 P. M.—NIGHT SESSION.

Moderator Bradley called the body to order. Prayer by Rev. J. A. Curry of Alabama. The report on education was read by J. W. Bailey. On motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by J. W. Bailey, John L. Kesler and John E. White.

On motion, adjourned. Benediction by Rev. J. W. Anderson.

Report on Education.

As Baptists we deem it within our province to encourage in every worthy way all honorable efforts to promote the enlightenment of all the people.

We believe in the free education, in the elementary branches, of the children in our State, believing that a fair ability to read, write and cipher is essential to

a proper discharge of the functions of citizenship. We call the attention of our public servants to the poor condition, the inadequate equipment and the short terms of our public schools; we pledge ourselves to second all good efforts to lengthen the term and improve the condition of these schools.

We also believe in academic education; we urge our people to send their children to such institutions and to lend their support to all good men, and especially Baptists, in establishing and building up first-rate academies for the purpose of giving a basis of general education, or training for business or preparation for college. Every parent should do his best for his child. Our chief calling in this world is to glorify God and improve the condition of the human race. This is to be achieved most surely by educating as highly as possible the children in our care and keeping. Let every father and mother at least do all possible to use and improve the condition of the free schools; then take advantage, even at the cost of sacrifices, of academies; and, if it is by any reasonable means possible, let them send their son or daughter to Mars Hill College or Wake Forest College, or our Baptist Female University, for

HIGHER CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

In this connection we desire to go on record as holding that higher education ought to be maintained and governed by the churches--for the sake of education, for the sake of the churches and their mission and for the sake of the youth being educated. Higher education under other than Christian influences is extremely dangerous. The State cannot offer Christian educati n We thank God that the ability of our denomination in North Carolina to provide the best Christian education at a low cost, under even the competition of the State, has been well proved; we protest against the policy of the State in this matter and we pledge ourselves to support our denominational ins itutions.

Most of all, we repeat because of its importance, it is the duty of parents to give the r children all possible chances for their enlightenment, develo pment and equipment for life.

T. C. KING,
J. W. BAILEY,
J. L. KESLER,
S. I. KEELER,
} Committee.

SECOND DAY--MORNING SESSION.

The Association met at 9 a. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by N. L. Shaw. The body was called to order by the moderator.

Rev. C. J. Woodson was announced and accepted a seat in the body.

Read and approved the Journal of yesterday.

The time for the special order having arrived, the report on periodicals was read by Rev. W. A. Roberson. On motion to adopt, the body was addressed by W. A. Roberson, C. H. Durham, C. J. Woodson, J. W. Bailey, J. L. Kesler and N. L. Shaw. Report adopted.

Report on Periodicals.

Your committee on Periodicals submit the following:

One of the great lacks among our people is we do not come together by corresponding with our religious papers; neither do we read our papers as we ought. We therefore recommend that every Baptist take our State organ, the Biblical Recorder; we also recommend Charity and Children as worthy of the support of all; we would furthermore recommend that all take the Foreign Mission Journal and learn something about the foreign fields and their needs. Respectfully,

W. A. Roberson,
N. L. Shaw.

Report on State and Associational Missions was read and spoken to by John E. White. Report adopted.

Report on State Missions.

Your committee, in offering perhaps the first report ever presented to this Association on State Missions, would strongly emphasize the enlarged opportunity now presented to our churches for increased usefulness in the Lord's cause and the enlarged obligations laid upon us to increase our zeal and liberality in the support of all our Baptist work

State Missions have under God been one of the mightiest agencies for the uplifting of our cause in North Carolina. During the history of the Baptist State Convention our Board of Missions and Sunday schools have sent out into destitute and neglected sections of our State over four hundred different missionaries, who have es-

tablished five hundred of our churches and baptized more than twenty thousand into the fellowship of these churches. Dr. Columbus Durham, our late honored and beloved corresponding secretary, said among the last things of his life: "Never since the days of the Apostles has any work been more successful under God in giving the Gospel to all the people than State Missions in North Carolina."

This great work is now ours and we join hands and hearts with our Baptist brethren in every section in thanksgiving to God for His abounding blessing upon the work.

Our Board has in the fie'd this year 100 regular missionaries, who are preaching the Gospel at 353 destitute places in our State. Reinforcing them we have 120 volunteer missionaries, who go out without money and without price to strengthen the hands of our missionaries.

The Convention authorized the Board to expend this year $20,000 in this work and the Board has carried out the instructions of the Convention. The Churches have up to date sent up only about one-fifth of this amount; we therefore urge that each Church in this Association take up a special collection for State Missions between now and the meeting of the State Convention.

In the twenty counties forming what is called the mountain section of the State the Board is this year appropriating $2,800, for the support of one general missionary, one district missionary and ten associational missionaries.

The next ten years are going to be years of mighty importance to our Baptist cause in western North Carolina. It is to be a time when every Baptist man and woman must stand true and firm in support of the work; we must sympathize with our State Mission Board and support it, if we do our duty to our God-given opportunity.

Your committee wishes especially to commend the work of our brother and former moderator, Rev. A. E. Brown, and to urge all the Churches and pastors to support him in that work.

The Associational mission work in our bounds is in a healthy condition; we suggest that the brethren engaged in that work make statements for the benefit of the Association. Signed by the committee.

JNO. E. WHITE.

Collections for State Missions amount to $12 13. Pledges were taken as follows: First Church, Asheville, $50; Antioch, $10; Avery's Creek, $2 50; Big Ivy, $5; Black Mountain, $2; Beaverdam, $10; Burnsville Hill, $2; Berea, $5; Chestnut Grove, $2; Cane Creek, $10; Flat Creek, $2 50; Fern Hill, $5; Gash's Creek, $5; French Broad, $40; Mt. Carmel, $5; Morgan Hill, $5; Pleasant Hill, $2; Vernon Hill, $5; West End, $20; Ivy Hill, $5; Mountain View, $2 50; Gap Creek Sunday school, $2 50; Brown's Chapel, $2; Valley Springs Sunday school, $1; Crayton's Mission, $1; Mt. Olivet, $1 50.

At this time the report on education was taken up and, after some remarks by the brethren, adopted.

Rev. T. M. Honeycutt, representing Mars Hill College, was welcomed to a seat in the Association.

Recess was taken for one hour. Benediction by T. M. Honeycutt.

SECOND DAY--EVENING SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 1 p. m. Prayer by Rev. T. L. Brown.

A letter from Spring Mountain church was read and delegate's name enrolled.

The report on the orphanage was read by A. Johnson. Remarks were made by A. Johnson, N. L. Shaw and Dr. L. B. McBrayer, after which a collection was taken to the amount of $6.45. The churches pledged for the orphanage as follows: First Church, Asheville, $75; Antioch, $5; Avery's Creek, $2 50; Big Ivy, $2 50; Beaverdam, $6; Berea, $5; Chestnut Grove, $1; Flat Creek, $5; Fern Hill and Gash's Creek, $5 each; French Broad, $50; Mt. Carmel, $10; Morgan Hill, $2 50; Pleasant Hill, $1 50; Vernon Hill, $5; West End, $30; Mt. Olive, Palestine, Spring Mountain and Mountain View, each $1; Gap Creek Sunday school, $2 50; Sunday school of First Church, Asheville, $25. Report adopted.

Report on Orphanage.

The Baptist Orphanage was never so prosperous as it is today. The receipts last year were larger and the

number of contributions greater than ever before. But its mission has only begun. There are hundreds of helpless orphans in our State, without a home, exposed to every snare of Satan; we must open our doors to a larger number of these defenseless little ones; we urge the importance of this work upon every church and Sunday school, and hope that not one of them will allow a year to pass without extending a helping hand to God's poor and needy little ones.

From our report on the orphanage for last year we copy the following: "We recommend that our churches take at least one collection during the year and that each Sunday school take monthly collections for the orphanage." But the minutes show that out of more than twenty-five churches only eleven have reported contributions for this object.

Brethren, we cannot afford to rob ourselves of the privilege of aiding in this glorious work; we are the losers rather than the orphanage when we fail to give it our sympathy and prayer.

There are now 175 children under the care of the orphanage. It takes more than $200 a week to meet the demands of this work. This Association is linked to the orphanage by several of her own children. Are we supporting them or do we lay part of that burden upon others?

We would recommend again that each church forward at least one collection a year to the orphanage and that our Sunday schools set apart one Sunday in each month for that purpose, and avail themselves of the clubbing rates for Charity and Children.

Report on woman's work was read by Rev. T. L. Brown. Remarks by T. L. Brown and John E. White. On motion, the report was adopted.

Report on Woman's Work.

The Woman's Missionary Society is the Church engaged in the utilization of woman's power in the service of Christ's cause. It is not a separate organization, apart from the Church, as is sometimes mistakenly supposed. Since this work was begun God has through the Baptist women of the South contributed more than a quarter of a million dollars.

Of the $8,000 contributed by North Carolina Baptists for foreign missions, the societies sent up over

$3,000. In home missions they contributed nearly half the amount reported from North Carolina.

A church cannot afford not to encourage its women to work directly for the Master; we urge that every pastor seek to bring the women of his church together to consider if they should not band themselves together in this blessed cause.

T. L. BROWN,
J. M. STONER.

Report of the Woman's Missionary Societies of Buncombe County Churches from August 1, 1898, to August 1, 1899:

	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Orphanage.	Frontier Boxes.	Local Work.	Totals.
First Church, Asheville	$95 65	$36 44	$18 33	$61 52	$30 23	$240 00	$482 72
West End, Asheville	37 23	9 08	3 91	20 00	.....	75	70 97
Fern Hill, Biltmore	3 00	5 00	3 00	2 60	45 00	75 00	133 60
Cane Creek, Fair View	5 70	2 50	3 39	2 10	6 25	6 35	26 29
Berea, Riceville	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Antioch, Democrat	2 00	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 30
Garrison's School House	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Carmel, Owenby	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Total							$720 88

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. GEO. W. YARBOROUGH,
Vice President W. M. S. of Buncombe County.

The Woman's Missionary Society of Buncombe County, North Carolina, met with "Aunt" Mary Alexander, near Berea church, on Thursday, the 17th day of August, 1899. Mrs. Geo. W. Yarborough of Asheville presided and Mrs. Charles Whitaker of Biltmore acted as secretary. After the opening exercises and the object of the meeting had been stated, the yearly report was read, which was very encouraging, showing an increase of $62 73 despite the "hard times."

Next was read a beautiful letter from our beloved sister and co-worker, Miss Fannie Heck, addressed to all the societies in Buncombe county. A statement was also read, showing the growth of woman's work in North Carolina in the last ten years.

These facts and figures were startling and served to convince all of the wonderful results which follow pa-

tient persevering and persistent effort put forth by the women of our churches.

The president then made an earnest appeal to all to subscribe for the Biblical Recorder, the Skyland Baptist and the Foreign Missionary Journal, in order that they might be better informed in regard to our needs and the progress of our church work. The president also urged the importance of having a missionary society in each church, and explained the plan of organization.

After the distribution of literature and some informal talks, this truly spiritual little meeting closed with a chain of prayer.

MRS. CHAS. WHITAKER,
Secretary.

Pastor Vines of First Church, Asheville, was announced and introduced to the Association, and spoke appropriately to the body.

The report of the Executive Board was read by L. B. McBrayer. On motion to adopt, remarks were made by J. H. Stradley and T. M. Honeycutt.

Pledges were taken for the completion of the Baptist church at Weaverville, as follows: T. M. Honeycutt, $5; S. P. Davis, $2; J. M. Stoner, T. L. Brown, J. H. Stradley, W. E. Logan, A. D. Stoner, Mrs. J. M. Saunders, O. E. Stoner, each $2; Aunt Sally Bradly, paid 50 cents; T. J. Ingle, $1 paid; J. R. Rich, $1; cash, 50 cents; Young People's Union of First Church, $10; Avery's Creek, $3 50; Beaverdam, $15; Cane Creek and Morgan Hill, each $2; Fern Hill Woman's Missionary Society, $5; French Broad and Mt. Carmel, each $5; Henry Payne, 50 cents; West End, $15. On motion, the report was adopted.

Report of Executive Committee.

At a call meeting of the Executive Board, in August, 1899, J. P. Morgan, Dr. L. B. McBrayer, Rev. T. C. King and J. M. Stoner being present.

After the needs of the destitute in our Association were discussed, Rev. W. T. Bradley was appointed to work at Chestnut Grove, Paint Fork and Cole's Cove, in the Ivy section, at a salary of $40, and Rev. T. C. King was appointed to work at Pickens, Cooper's and Gap

Creek, in the Swannanoa section, at a salary of $60.

Rev. W. T. Bradley reports: Sermons preached, 36; professions witnessed on the field, 25; baptisms, 10 We have paid Brother Bradley $23.84, leaving a balance due him of $16.16.

Rev. T. C. King reports: Sermons preached, 22; professions, none. We have paid Brother King $37.78; we charge Brother King with three quarters' work at Gap Creek which he did not do, $15, leaving a balance due

Brother King	$ 7 22
Due Brother Bradley	16 16
Total indebtedness	$23 38

Treasurer's Report—

Collected	$60 88
Paid out	61 62
Overdraft	74

Your committee have gone forward in the Weaverville work, and have now on the ground lumber, sash and doors to complete the building. We regret we have had no regular preaching at this place since Rev. W. W. Jones left the State. We are glad to report that there is not one cent due for either material or work done on the building, due to the indefatigable energy and perseverance of Rev. W. W. Jones; we are informed that Brother Jones, after many liberal contributions, paid the balance due on this work, amounting to $12.50, after he left the State. This should be returned to him. There will be due in three months $150, as follows: Flooring, doors, sash, etc., $130; balance due contractor, $20. This is one of the most promising fields in this Association, and the only one, so far as we know, that has been in need of a church building, This field is needy because it is a prosperous little town, and a large number of our Baptist boys attend the Methodist college and have no church of their own denomination in which to worship. We recommend that pledges be taken to meet this debt, to be paid by October 1. As soon as the church building is completed we expect Rev. J. A. Stradley of the volunteer mission corps to hold a series of meetings and organize a church.

JOHN P. MORGAN,
L. B. MCBRAYER,
T. C. KING,
JNO. M. STONER, Sec.
} Executive Committee.

Report on foreign missions was read by C. H. Durham. On motion to adopt, it was made a special order for tonight at 8 o clock. A motion was carried that Rev. W. M. Vines preach a missionary sermon at that time.

On motion, the report on Sunday schools was made a special order for tomorrow at 10 a. m.

Report on time, place and preacher was made by Rev. W. A. Roberson. On motion, the report was adopted.

Report on Time, Place and Preacher.

We, your committee on time, place and preacher submit the following:

Time—Tuesday after second Sunday in August, 1900.

Place—Big Ivy church.

Preacher—Rev. T. C. King. Alternate—Rev. C. H. Durham.

W. A. Roberson,
G. W. Sales,
M. N. Bradley,
} Committee.

Report on state of the churches was read by Dr. L. B. McBrayer and, on motion, adopted.

Report on State of the Churches.

Your committee on state of the churches beg to submit the following report:

We think that upon the whole a deeper spirituality pervades the churches than at any time in the past, and that the prospects are brighter and brightening every day.

We are sorry that some of the churches, very few we are glad to say, have retrograded, due, as we believe, to the seeds of discord that have been sown in their midst.

We are sorry to see, by the church letters to this Association, that so many of the churches report pastor's salary $25. "The laborer is worty of his hire."

We are also very much grieved to see that so many of the churches report nothing contributed to missions or to the orphanage, but we believe that, after the blessings and influence of this Association shall have disseminated themselves over the county, this will not occur again.

Upon the whole, we have great reason to thank God and take courage. Respectfully submitted,

T. C. Morgan,
Geo. Robertson,
} Committee.

On motion, adjourned. Prayer by C. H. Durham.

SECOND DAY--NIGHT SESSION.

Met according to adjournment, Moderator Bradley in the chair Prayer by Rev. T. M. Honeycutt. Pastor Vines read from the 5th and 6th chapters of II Cor. Prayer by A. Johnson. Brother Vines then addressed the Association from the subject, "The Impelling Motive to Do Mission Work." Text, II Cor. 6:1. Prayer by W. M. Jamerson.

A collection was taken for foreign missions, amounting to $2.25, and pledges were received as follows: First Church, Asheville, $150; Big Ivy and Brown's Chapel, each $2.50; Beaverdam, $20; Berea, Flat Creek, Gash's Creek, Mt. Carmel and Morgan Hill, each $5; Cane Creek, $10; Palestine and Mount Olive, each $1; Spring Mountain, $2; Vernon Hill, $10; West End, $20; French Broad, $25.

Report adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions.

Your committee, to whom was referred the subject of foreign missions, beg to say that this question is pressing more and more upon our people, as the problem of all problems.

The call for workers and means grows upon us, while God continually demonstrates that he is with us, not only by raising up men and women who are saying, "Here am I; send me," but by giving us greater success in heathen lands than ever before.

But we are not moved to grasp the great opportunity as we should. There are 1,300,000 Baptists in the South, who give, ordinarily, about $110,000, or a fraction over 8 cents per member. The Baptists of North Carolina gave last year not quite 5 cents per member, and the membership of our Association gave about 8 cents per member. Some of the churches gave nothing for this world-wide cause. Surely, there must be something radically wrong in the organization of a church which wholly neglects our Lord's command to "go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." We have too long depended upon the large gifts of those who give cheerfully, while we have neglected to develop the undeveloped churches.

What we should earnestly strive for is the preaching

of the Gospel among the thousand millions of the world's population who are without the Gospel and who are passing into the presence of God at the rate of 33,000,000 every year, while we alone possess that which promises any relief beyond the judgment. We are not to "give of necessity," nor measure our gifts by the results of our work, but all obligation comes from Christ's command and ours is a question of loyalty to Christ and His truth.

We recommend the reading of the Foreigh Mission Journal and that our pastors preach regularly upon missions. Respectfully submitted, C. H. DURHAM,
For the Committee.

On motion, adjourned. Benediction by Rev. W. M. Vines.

THIRD DAY--MORNING SESSION.

Met at 9 a. m. Praise service conducted by moderator. Prayer by Rev. James Justice. Read and corrected the Journal of yesterday. Called the roll of delegates and marked absentees.

On motion, a committee was appointed to nominate an Executive Board; also, a member of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools of the State Convention. The moderator appointed Rev. W. A. Roberson, F. Sluder and S. M. Riddle.

Report on home missions was read by J. L. Kesler and, on motion to adopt, remarks were made by J. L. Kesler and T. C. King. Report adopted. Collection for home missions, $3.58.

Report on Home Missions.

Your committee would call the attention of the Association to the fact that during all the years in which the Western North Carolina Convention sought to provide for the mission work the Home Mission Board was a constant source of help and assistance.

Our churches and people should not be forgetful of this.

Your committee therefore urges that the work of home missions have an important place in the sympathy of our churches. Nor is this the only, nor even the chief, claim this work has on us. Under God it has

strengthened and built up the Baptist cause in every quarter of the Southern Baptist Convention.

On the western frontier—in Texas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory—the missionaries of the Home Mission Board have been the heralds of the Cross and the builders of civilization. In our great cities—among the foreign population, among Indians and negroes—and throughout the whole mountain region of the Southern States—the Gospel has been preached by home missionaries and the cause of Baptists established.

In the history of the Home Mission Board 3,500 of the 18,000 Baptist churches in the South have been organized by missionaries of the Home Mission Board. Of the million and a half baptized believers in Southern Baptist churches, more than two hundred and fifty thousand have been baptized through the agency of home missions.

There are only ten of the one hundred important cities between Baltimore, Md., and El Paso, Tex., in which our cause was not supported by the Home Mission Board. North Carolina Baptists are especially indebted to the fidelity and thoroughness with which this board has prosecuted its work. After the war, when our land was desolated and our Convention almost discouraged by poverty and loss, the Home Mission Board came to our assistance, and for several years, in sixteen of our important cities, supported the work until we could get on our feet and care for ourselves.

During the present year (1899) the Home Mission Board is again co-operating with us most liberally, and we must continue to look to it in the great educational work necessary in Western North Carolina.

We urge that our churches unite with the other churches of the State in the effort to secure for Home Missions this year $4,000. JOHN E. WHITE.

The report on Sunday schools was read by S. P. Davis. On motion to adopt, the report was discussed by Rev. C. H. Durham, J. M. Morgan, J. L. Kesler, James Justice, W. M. Jamerson and J. W. Anderson. Report adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools.

The Sunday school is being recognized more and more as perhaps the most important department in our church work. Our pastors are realizing the importance of this

particular part of our work as Christians in building up and strengthening the churches, and hence they are taking a more active interest in it than ever before.

We note with pleasure that Sunday school chatauquas are being held in different sections of our state every year, and we feel sure that they will greatly improve our Sunday school work generally.

Our Sunday school supply store, located at Raleigh, is prepared to furnish any and all literature needed by our Sunday schools. We should patronize and nourish our own institutions. An order sent to our supply store helps to increase the ability of our own State work. We most heartily recommend that our Sunday schools make their orders through this channel.

Our Publishing Board at Nashville, Tenn., is an institution of which every Southern Baptist should be proud. Only a few years old, beginning with comparatively nothing, it has grown to be a mighty power for good.

With all the advantages thus afforded us, surely there is no excuse for failing to have an active Sunday school in every community within the bounds of the Association. Respectfully submitteed,

T. C. KING,
J. H. WOODWARD,
M. H. MORGAN,
J. T. JUSTICE,
} Committee.

Report on temperance was read by T. L. Brown. On motion to adopt, speeches were made by J. H. Stradley, C. H. Durham and J. N. Morgan. Report adopted.

Report on Temperance.

We, your committee on temperance, submit that in our opinion the advancement in temperance reform has not been as rapid in this country as it should have been. We believe that the place to begin this reform is in the family circle. Teach temperance to our children in the home and in the Sabbath school, and then let us make our churches essentially temperance bodies, and we believe that substantial advancement will be made.

J. H. STRADLEY,
A. W. MORGAN,
J. A. BRADLEY,
} Committee.

Report on nominations was read by W. A. Roberson On motion, the report was adopted.

Report on Nominations.

Your committee recommend:

For Associational Executive Board—Dr. L. B. McBrayer, J. T. Justice and S. P. Davis.

For Member of State Board of Missions and Sunday Schools—Rev. T. L. Brown.

W. A. Roberson,
F. Sluder,
S. M. Riddle,
} Committee.

Report of historian was read and adopted.

Historian's Report.

The Buncombe County Baptist Association met last year with Brown's Chapel and had a very harmonious session all the way through. Since that time there have been several changes. Some have died. Some have moved out of our bounds, while others have moved in.

Brother W. M. Vines is now pastor of First church, Asheville, and his brother, J. F. Vines, is pastor of the West End church, while Brother C. H. Durham is pastor of French Broad church.

W. F. Bradley has been called to the pastorate of Flat Creek and Pleasant Hill churches.

J. F. Sams of Yancey county is now pastor of Antioch church.

W. A. Roberson is pastor of Big Ivy, Chestnut Grove, Brown's Chapel and Mountain View. The brethren at the latter place have built a good house of worship.

W. P. Southern is pastor at Fern Hill. J. C. Cordell is pastor of Mount Olive church.

Brother T. L. Brown has moved into our bounds and is pastor of Mount Carmel and Beaverdam churches.

Brother T. C. King is pastor at Berea and has been preaching as missionary at Cooper's. W. T. Bradley also has done mission work on the heads of Big Ivy and Flat creek. Brother A. E. Brown is laboring as general missionary in the western part of the State.

Brother W. W. Jones has gone from our midst and is pastor in South Carolina.

Bent Creek church is without a pastor and is at a low ebb. Quite a number of our churches have had revivals and accessions by baptism.

Since our last session John W. Starnes of Asheville, one of our faithful lay brethren, has entered that rest

that remains to the people of God. The wife of Pastor Vines of Asheville has also entered into rest.

The letters to the Association show that there have been 113 baptisms during the past year.

There are six Woman's Missionary Societies reported in this Association..

Brother T. C. Starnes has also passed into rest.

Brothers S. I. Keeler and J. M. Hamrick have been ordained to the full work of the ministry. Respectfully,

W. T. BRADLEY.

On motion, Rev. A. E. Brown was appointed a delegate to represent us in the next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, Rev. T. L. Brown to be his alternate. Revs. T. C. King and W. T. Bradley were appointed delegates to the next meeting of the Baptist State Convention.

Moved and carried that T. C. King be paid ten dollars ($10) for his services as secretary of this Association in making and having printed the minutes.

Report of committee on finance was read by John M. Stoner. On motion, the report was adopted.

Report of Finance.

BUNCOMBE COUNTY ASSOCIATION, August, 1899.

Your committee on finance beg to report the following collections:

For Associational Missions	$ 60 88
" Weaverville	12 10
" Orphanage	1 75
" State Missions	20 24
" Foreign Missions	18 75
" Home Missions	3 58
" Minute Fund	28 10
Total	$145 43

JNO. M. STONER,
G. D. CARTER,
W. M. HAMRICK,
} Committee.

On motion of S. I. Keeler, a committee was appointed, consisting of S. I. Keeler, C. H. Durham and John M. Stoner, to arrange a programme for a special union meet-

ing to be held with West End church; time to be announced later.

Report on Young People's Union was read by John M. Stoner. On motion to adopt, remarks were made by John M. Stoner and others. Report adopted.

Report on Young People's Union.

Resolved, That the Baptist Young People's Union is a necessity in our churches; be it further

Resolved, That our young people must be trained in Church work, especially Christian work; and be it further

Resolved, That every church in Buncombe County Association be urged, as far as possible and practicable, to organize a Young People's Union, to work in harmony with and under the direction of the church, for the better developing of our young people in a special and definite work.

Submitted, JNO. M. STONER.

Report of Committee on Credentials.

The following report was read:

We, your committee on credentials, report as follows: We find that the newly-organized church known as "Ivy Hill" was legally constituted and is orthodox in faith.

T. C. KING,
C. H DURHAM,
W. T. BRADLEY, } Committee.

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered the members of this church and community for their generous hospitality.

C. H. DURHAM.

On motion, adjourned to time and place above named.

Sang, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," and gave each other the parting hand. Prayer and benediction by Rev. J. H. Curry.

Thus ended one of the best, pleasantest and most harmonious sessions of this Association.

REV. W. T. BRADLEY, Moderator.

T. C. KING, Clerk.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Officers and Teachers.	Pupils	Average Attendance.	Professions.	Collected for School Support.	Baptist Orphanage.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Support of Poor.	Church Buildings and Repairs.	Murphy Church.	Class Collections.	All Other Objects.
First Church, Asheville	J. H. Tucker	27	450	258		$156 10	$	$100 00	$	$79 75	$226 00	$10	$90 00	$102 75
Antioch	Z. V. Foster, Democrat	10	102	40	2	5 50								
Big Ivy	A. J. Mason	7	125	85		5 30								
Black Mountain	F. M. Haynes	5	87	50		3 00								
Beaverdam	W. E. Masters		60	40		5 60		49 47						
Bethel	D. N. Wild	4	54	45		4 00		1 00						
Brown's Chapel	C. H. Buckney	4	50	30		2 00								
Berea	John Cordell	6	60	40		5 00		4 00						2 00
Cane Creek	W. S. Shittle	10	115			50 00								
Flat Creek	W. S. Roberts	9		80	5	3 25								
Fern Hill	J. M. Brookshire	5	70	45	4	26 00								
Gash's Creek	M. L. Reed	3		40										
Hominy														
Mt. Carmel	F. Sluder	5	79	41		6 00								
Morgan Hill	J. J. Ammons	6	100	65	2	9 20								
Pleasant Hill	J. A. Rogers	7	45	25		3 26	2 10							
Palestine	J. W. Bailey	5	45	33										
Spring Mountain	A. H. Pinkerton	2	29	25										
Vernon Hill	A. F. Morris	4	42	33	2									
French Broad	C. S. Davis	11	90			40 00	24 48						73 48	
West End	W. A. Hayes		275	122										
Mt. Olive	R. A. Stuart	4	50	30		4 22								
Ivy Hill	S. R. Morgan	6	60	45		10 00								

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES.	Church Constituted.	Sabbath of Meeting.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Dead.	Present Membership.		
										Males.	Females.	Total.
First Church, Asheville	E. B. Stradley, Asheville, N. C.	1829	each	14	30	1	26	16	7			551
Antioch	D. H. Loven, "	1888	1	2	12	1	2	4	4			168
Avery's Creek	Jesse Ingram, "	1828	2	3	7	1	11	6	1	26	41	67
Big Ivy	G. H. Blankenship, "	1823	2	13	1		1		1	70	100	170
Black Mountain	B. W. Burlison, "	1884	4	6	5		7	6		46	61	107
Beaverdam	E. P. Stradley, "	1885	2 & 4		3		1			33	27	60
Bethel	D. H. Wild, "	1855	4		1		1		2	26	51	77
Brown's Chapel	L. B. Maney, "	1852	1		2		4		1	32	42	74
Berea	John Cordell "	1853	2 & 4		6	1	5		1	42	43	85
Cane Creek	R. A. Morgan, "	1806	2 & 4		4		11	4		64	114	178
Chestnut Grove	A. J. Burlison, "	1895						5				51
Flat Creek	H. G. McLean, "	1811	1	5	3	1	4	8	3	69	96	165
Fern Hill	Chas. R. Whitaker, "	1889	1 & 3	4	3		4	1	1	17	43	60
Gash's Creek	R. C. Sales, "	1856	each				2		1	39	66	105
Hominy	E. O. Morgan, "	1812	1	2	4	1	4	2	4			109
Liberty	R. G. Young, "	1895	2				2			18	31	49
Mt. Carmel	D. S. Sluder, "	1885	1 & 3		6		5		1	44	54	98
Morgan Hill	W. J. Goldsmith, "	1866	4	2	1		49	2	2	64	80	144
Pleasant Hill	J. D. Taylor, "	1879	3		5				1	34	44	78
Palestine	J. W. Baitey, "	1897	1		1		1	1		11	9	20
Spring Mountain	W. A. McAbee, "	1889	3		5		4			28	34	62
Vernon Hill	E. J. Rhodes, "	1882	1 & 3	3	5				1	9	31	40
French Broad	T. L. Durham, "		each	1	17	2	8	11	1	22	41	63
West End	W. A. Hayes, "	1893	each	20	3	1	9	1	1	92	147	239
Mt. Olive	Thomas Scarborough, "	1891	1	1	3							36
Mountain View	J. W. Burnett, "		3	9				4		37	62	99
Ivy Hill		1896						1		17	25	42

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidentals.	Associational Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Building and Repairs.	Baptist Orphanage.	Support of Board.	Minute Fund.	Other Objects.
First Church, Asheville	W. M. Vines, Asheville	$1500 00	$640 31	$14 28	$72 88	$16 25	$8331 81	$51 31	$101 08	$ 5 00	$ ....
Antioch	J. F. Sams, Cane River	75 00	2 15	4 02	....	86	.....	....	.....	1 45	....
Avery's Creek	J. L. Brookshire, Flat Rock	50 00	.....	3 00	....	5 00	.....	75	.....	60	....
Big Ivy	W. A. Roberson	60 00	7 40	....	....	....	.....	2 08	3 12	1 65	....
Black Mountain	Jas. Blankenship	25 00	10 00	....	....	....	.....	....	18 00	1 00	....
Beaverdam	T. L. Brown, Asheville	150 00	40 25	5 00	11 50	9 99	.....	6 11	.....	1 03	....
Bethel	C. D. Cole	.....	.....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	75	....
Brown's Chapel	W. A. Roberson	25 00	.....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	72	....
Berea	T. C. King	150 00	.....	6 75	....	10 00	.....	1 00	.....	75	....
Cane Creek	J. M. Hamrick	150 00	25 00	10 00	10 72	18 77	2 00	....	5 00	2 00	2 50
Chestnut Grove	W. A. Roberson	25 00	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	50	....
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradley	.....	10 00	3 83	....	1 00	.....	....	3 75	1 45	....
Fern Hill	W. P. Southern	200 00	.....	5 00	1 96	....	.....	....	.....	75	....
Gash's Creek	W. M. Jamerson	100 00	5 00	5 00	....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	....	15 26
Hominy	S. C. Owen	46 87	.....	4 28	.....	....	.....	1 19	.....	45	....
Liberty	M. M. Sluder	25 00	.....	....	2 00	....	.....	....	.....	60	....
Mt. Carmel	T. L. Brown	150 00	.....	5 00	....	10 00	.....	12 50	.....	1 55	....
Morgan Hill	John Ammons	68 45	.....	72	....	1 08	.....	....	.....	1 00	....
Pleasant Hill	W. T. Bradley	40 00	.....	2 00	....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	90	1 10
Palestine	W. M. Jamerson	25 00	.....	1 75	....	....	.....	1 40	.....	75	....
Spring Mountain	J. M. Hamrick	25 00	.....	....	....	2 00	3 75	....	.....	40	....
Vernon Hill	S. I Keeler	30 00	2 00	....	....	5 26	1 00	2 76	.....	50	....
French Broad	C. H. Durham	720 00	64 95	14 00	6 50	10 00	25 00	....	18 00	....	....
West End	J. F. Vines	690 00	266 91	....	12 99	37 23	298 78	26 19	.....	....	....
Mt. Olive	Joseph Cordell	25 00	.....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....	....
Mountain View	W. A. Roberson	60 00	.....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	....	....
Ivy Hill		40 00	.....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	1 10	....

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.--Name.

SECTION 1. This body shall be known as "The Buncombe County Baptist Association."

ARTICLE II.--Constituency.

SECTION 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church, containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for; *provided*, however, that any church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

SEC. 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty five members in excess of twenty-five.

SEC. 3. The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body, without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE III.--Officers.

SECTION 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

SEC. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's "Parliamentary Practice."

SEC 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.--Object.

SECTION 1. It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

ARTICLE V.--Committees.

SECTION 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State and Associational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday Schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching, and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of said committees to report, in writing, on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

ARTICLE VI--Executive Board.

SECTION 1. This body shall at each annual meeting appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of the North Carolina Baptist Convention in supplying the destitute within our bounds.

ARTICLE VII.--Church Letters.

SECTION 1. The church letter shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their postoffice; number baptised, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members; time of prayer-meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday School and Bible Missions, and, if for any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday School to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and post-

office of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.--By-laws.

SECTION 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's "Manual of Parliamentary Practice."

ARTICLE IX.--Meeting.

SECTION 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.--Printing.

SECTION 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI.--Correspondence.

SECTION 1. This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII.--Faith.

SECTION 1. This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and the only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

SEC. 2. As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII.--Amendment.

SECTION 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

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Clerk:

Rev. T. C. King,.....Swannanoa, N. C.

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John M. Stoner,.....Asheville, N. C.

Historian:

Dr. L. B. McBrayer,.....Asheville, N. C.

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A. E. Brown, " "
J. F. Vines, " "
W. Haynes, " "
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C. H. Durham, " "
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James Plemmons, "

The next session of this body will be held with Cane Creek Church, beginning on Tuesday before the third Sunday in August, 1901, at 11 a. m.

Introductory Sermon--By Rev. W. M. Vines.

PROCEEDINGS:

BIG IVY BAPTIST CHURCH, AUG. 14th 1900.

The Buncombe County Association, met today in its nineteenth annual session, with the Big Ivy Baptist church at 11. a. m.

The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. T. C. King, from Luke 19.—10.

Prayer by Rev. A. E. Brown.

Adjourned one hour for dinner, which was served on the grounds.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 1. p. m. by former moderator, W. T. Bradley.

Prayer by Rev. A. I. Justice.

Appointed as reading clerks, A. E. Brown and J H. Tucker.

Received and read letters from the following churches, and enrolled delegates names, as follows:

Asehville First church—Rev. W.M. Vines, John M. Stoner, J. H. Tucker, J. Mooney, Rev. J.W.Anderson W. F. Staley.

Antioch—C. W. McKinney, B. F. Arrowwood, O. F. Davis, E B.Goldsmith, T. C. Morgan, J. J. Greenwood, D. H. Loven and J. H. Woodward.

Flat Creek—T. B. Redmon and N. M. Kilpatrick.

Liberty—J. R. Sawyer.

Avery's Creek.—E. A. Johnson. Jessie Ingram and M. F. Ingram.

Beaverdam.—M. W. Harrison, E. P. Stradley and J. T. Justice.

New Salem.—M. L. Lance.

Mount. Olivet —R N. Stewart, and W.H. Stewart.

Emley's Grove.—Rev. J. W. Justice and G. W. Marrel.

Gash's Creek.—J. M. Brookshire.

Paint Fork.—D. A. Buchanon J. G. Bnchanon.

Haw Creek.—James H. Cordel and G. N. Jones.

Brown's Chapel.—W. T. Bradley, Jr. J. W. Ingle and Milton Revis.

Inanda.—Geo. W. Ballard.

Bent Creek.—Rev. T. L. Brown and Thos. Stradley.

Bethel.—H. C. Ingle, J. P. Brookshire and J. C. Crawford.

Chestnut Grove.—Joel Brigman, E. D. Hensley and B. G. Hensley.

Spring Mountain.—T. L. Guffey, B. O. Chatham and S. W. Guffey.

Black Mt.—B. W. Burlison, Eli Haynes and Samuel Haynes.

Morgan Hill.—Rev. John Ammons, Rev. W. T. Bradley, Rev. S. J. Morgan, John P, Morgan, J. N. Morgan, M. N. Bradley, J. W. Shepherd, W. H. Evans, and W. J. Goldsmith.

Big Ivy.—Rev. W. A. Roberson, J. F. Whittemore, and W. H. Hurst, J. H, McKinney, A. M. Burlison, G. H. Blankenship, E. C. Maney, and K. C. Buckner.

Berea.—J. A. Cordel, and P. H. Shope.

Pleasant Hill.—James Allen, G. W. Roberson, J. D. Tailor, and W. L. Coats.

West End.—Rev. A. E. Brown, L. B, McBrayer, W. E. Logan, Ulyses Ingle, W. J. Hough and W. A. Hayes.

Cane Creek.—Bradley Spivey, A. H. Pinkerton and W. M. Wright.

Biltmore.—Rev. J. M. Hamrick.

Mount Carmel.—L. Plemmons, and John Sluder. (Several churches not represented.)

The body was permanently organized, with Rev. W. T. Bradley Moderator, Rev. T. C. King Secretary, John M. Stoner, Treasurer and L. B, McBrayer, Historian.

Called for newly constituted churches. Letters were read from Emley's Grove, Paint Fork, Bent Creek, and Haw Creek. A committee was appointed to investigate the constitution and orthordoxy of these churches. The report of the committee was favorable, and these churches, with delegates, welcomed to seats in this body, and recognized as members of the same.

Received as visitors,—Rev. O. L. Stringfield, agent for The Baptist Female University; Rev. A. I. Justice from the Carolinia Association and representative of Fruitland Baptist Institute; Rev. A. E. Brown, as General Missionary of the Baptist State Convention;

M. A Sluder, H. Buckner, and H. B. Mills, from New Found Association;

Rev. W. M. Jamerson, from the Yancey Co. Association; Rev. A. H. Sims, agent for the Biblical Recorder; Rev. T. M. Honeycutt and M. A. Love from French Broad Association.

On motion the following order of business was adopted: Meet at 9 a. m., spend 30 minutes in devotional exercises, adjourn at 12 m. for one hour, meet at 1 p. m., adjourn at will.

The following committees were then appointed:

Temperance—J. M. Brookshire, Thomas Stradley and E. B Goldsmith.

Sunday Schools—J. H. Tucker, J. H. Woodward and T. B. Redmon.

Orphanage—L. B. McBrayer, T. C. Morgan and G. W. Robeson.

Periodicals—G. H. Blankenship, A. H. Sims and A. H. Pinkerton.

Education—T. L. Brown, M. A. Love and A. I. Justice.

Foreign Missions—J. M. Hamrick, James Allen and James Justice.

State Missions—A. E. Brown, W. A. Robeson and L. Plemmons.

Home Missions—W. M. Vines, James Pickens and J. A. Cordel.

Baptist Young People's Union—J. M. Stoner, E. P. Stradley and S. H. Williams.

Finance—D. H. Loven, James Buchanan and R. A Stewart.

Religious Exercises—Pastor and deacons of this church.

Time and Place—G. W. Ballard, J. M. Brookshire and M. N. Kilpatrick.

State of the Churches—L. B. McBrayer, W. A. Roberson, Jessie Ingram, W. M. Wright and W. T. Bradley, Jr.

Woman's Work.—J. M. Hamrick, W. M. Vines and T. C. King.

On motion Sunday Schools was made a special order for 8:30 tonight.

The following resolution was offered by J. H. Tucker, which carried unanimously:

Resolved, That section 2, article 5 of the constitution be amended by striking out the words "in charge while the association is in session," and insert the following: "at the next session of the association."

The following resolution was offered and by a rising vote unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this Association is unalterably opposed to Baptist churches opening their houses for the discussion of political questions, or for the holding of political meetings,

On motion adjourned to 8:30 to night.

Prayer and benediction, by J. M Hamrick.

NIGHT SESSION.

The association met at 8:30 p. m.

The body was called to order by the moderator. Prayer by J. M. Hamrick.

The Report on Sunday Schools was read by J. H. Tucker.

On motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by J. H. Tucker and others. Report adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The word school as applied to our Bible study, we fear, has a slight tinge of secularity which may tend to rob it of deep spiritual devotion. Certainly it has furnished an excuse to adults not to attend the first service of the sabbath worship for they say "schools are for children." But may we not beg to remind church members that what is usually termed Sunday school furnishes the only opportunity in church life for the real study of the Bible? If so, how important that church members should attend these services and there feed their souls Sunday after Sunday upon the Word of God and thereby grow in knowledge and grace. It is important for the child to go. It is more important that the parent should carry them. If our church members will catch this thought, then this report shall have answered a good purpose and the minutes of the next association will show marked improvement.

The Sundy school is the meeting of the church for study and devotion; therefore the church should control it, equip it, spiritualize it and devotionalize it. Her most godly consecrated men and women should lead it and teach it and none others should attempt it. Its chief object should be salvation and growth in grace its end to glorify the Great Creator. It holds in its hands the eternal destiny of our boys and girls, and in its teachings it gives us enlargement of visions of hearts and souls. From its classes the wise pastor will look for the increase of his membership and from this means must come the leaders and pillars of his church. Therefore, pastors, don't neglect your Sunday school, but see that your church has one that will commend itself to the boys and girls and adults of the commun-

itv. Make your school intensely missionary, for missions actually is the life of a school. The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has set apart the fifth Sunday in September as Sunday school missionary day. Let every school in our association observe this day and we warrant a quickening of a new life in your school.

We recommend that the Sunday schools of Buncome county have a Sunday school convention during the next associational year—the time and place to be left with B. W. Spillman, the Sunday School Field Secretary. Respectfully submitted,

J. H. TUCKER,
T. B. REDMOND, } Com.
J. H. WOODWARD,

We, the members of the Sweden Creek Mission of Fern Hill Baptist church, send greeting to the Buncombe county association, wishing to be recognized as a band of mission workers, asking the prayers of the body, that we may greet them in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and one, as a young and consecrated church.

We have had in the past year ground given and have built a house of worship to the value of $200., without having to ask aid from the board. This work has been done in a small community of laboring people. The amount spent for Sunday school expenses was $11 51; paid in collection for preaching $20; to home missions $4; State missions $1 64; Orphanage $1 65; contingent expenses $4; cost of house $200; total $242 80. Rev. J. M. Hamrick, pastor of Fern Hill church, preaches the third Sunday afternoon in each month for us. The average number of attendance in Sunday school is 30 with five officers and teachers.

MRS. PINK KEIVER, S. S. Sec.

On motion adjourned. Benediction by W. M. Vines.

SECOND DAY, MORNING SESSION.

The asso ciation met at 9 a. m.

Devotional exercises conducted by T. L. Brown.

The body was called to order by the moderator.

The journal of yesterday was read, corrected and approved.

Rev. John Ammons, from the French Broad Association, was recognized and welcomed to a seat in the Association. Also Joseph Bennett, from Robeson county association.

Historian's report was read and adopted.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

Big Ivy Baptist Church Aug. 14-16, 1900.

A Brother remarked to me a few days ago that Buncombe Baptists have made no history in the last twelve months, but perhaps he was a little pessimistic. The last session of this body was held with the church at Berea, Rev. T. C. King Pastor, Aug. 15-17-1899. This was one of the largest, most progressive and best sessions of this association ever held. Among the many visiting brethren were Rev. John E. White, corresponding Secretary Baptist State Convention; J. W. Bailey, editor Biblical Recorder, N. L. Shaw also representing the Recorder, Prof. John L. Kesler of the Baptist Female University at Raleigh, Rev. J. H. Curry from Ala. Rev. T. M. Honeycutt, from Mars Hill, N. C., A. Johnson editor Charity and Children. Among the preachers who were members of the body and present for the first time were Revs. W. M. Vines, Pastor of the First Baptist church and C. H. Durham Pastor of French Broad Ave. Baptist church, both of Asheville, Rev. John. F. Vines pastor of the West End Baptist church was unable to be present on account of sickness. Shortly after the association, Rev. T. C. King resingned the care of Berea church and since then his work has been in other counties, though he will reside at Swannanoa. Rev. W. P. Southern supplied Berea church for a while and they are now being supplied by Rev. S. I. Keeler until they secure them a pastor.

Rev. W. P. Southern has resigned his work at Biltmore and has moved to Inanda and is pastor of the church (Vernon Hill) at that place. He has not been able to devote his full time to the ministry as he would like to have done, on account of the ill health of his wife.

Rev. J. M. Hamrick has resigned the church at Cane Creek and taken charge of Gash's Creek and Fern Hill at Biltmore. During the year he has been so fortunate as to procure the services of a help meet in the person of Miss Mamie Eley, of Norfolk, and the twain now reside at Biltmore.

Rev. W. T. Bradley, our moderator, is now pastor at Cane Creek.

Rev. W. M. Jamerson has resigned Gash's Creek and now has charge of Spring Mountain.

Rev. Luther Brown, after considering the matter for some thirty years has decided that it was not good for man to live alone and he also has taken unto himself a wife. The bride was Miss Azalie Creasman, from one of Buncombe's well known Baptist families and he has removed from Juno to Demia, in the vicinity of Bent Creek. Since Mr. Brown moved in this vicinity he has succeeded in organizing a new church known as the Bent Creek Baptist church. The old Bent Creek church had no delegates at our last session. Some of the leading members had taken their letters and joined Avery's Creek church. The remaining ones were anti missionary and of course the church died, and soon disintegrated, as all dead bodies do. Bro. Brown has just closed a precious revival with this church lasting three weeks and resulting in between twenty and thirty conversions. He was ably assisted in this meeting by Rev. W. J. Malonee, of the M. E. church, south.

In the latter part of Nov. '99 Revs. J. A. Stradley, W. T. Bradley and others organized a church at Weaverville with eleven members. The State mission board appropriated $150 to this work and your executive committee employed Rev. T. L. Brown for one fourth of his time, beginning January 1, 1900. The other new churches organized during the year are as follows: Paint Fork church, near Barnardsville, was constituted the second Sunday in July, 1900, by Revs. W. A. Robertson and M. S. Proffitt with 26 members; Emley's Grove church was organized Aug. 22, '99, and now has 36 members. The Haw Creek Baptist church about four miles east of Asheville was organized by Revs. W M Vines and C. H. Durnam Dec. 15, 1899,

with eleven members, which has been increased to sixteen. These brethren have bought the house of worship belonging to the Northern Methodist church which was to be foreclosed under a mortgage for $400. The first payment of $100 has been made, part of which was borrowed by a private note of some of the Asheville brethren. The house is a good building and is considered worth $800. Rev. W. F. Staley of Asheville, a licentiate, is pastor.

This association had the pleasure of having the Baptist State Convention meet within its borders, with the First Baptist church of Asheville, in the early part of December, 1899. This was a great meeting for the Baptists of Buncombe county and the State.

Rev. C. H. Durham has resigned the care of the French Broad Aye. Baptist church, Asheville. He still resides in Asheville.

Rev. Jno F. Vines has tendered his resignation as pastor of the West End Baptist church, to take effect Sept. 30. He will go the Theological Seminary.

Rev. Albert E. Brown continues in the work of assistant corresponding secretary of the Baptist State convention. He has been working largely in the interest of Christian education in W. N. C., and as a result of his labors we have established five Baptist high schools, making a total of seven in W. N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

L. B. McBrayer, Historian.

Report on Periodicals was read by G. W. Blankenship. The report was spoken to by A. H. Sims, A. E. Brown and M. A. Love. On motion report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your com. on periodicals report the following:

Our country is the grandest arena God ever prepared for his children. Never in the history of our country have we passed through such a crisis as now. Never was there a time when so much has been and is now being done to tear down and destroy the morals of our young people. We know of no more effectual means the devil is using than in broadcasting bad literature throughout the length and breadth of our country. This a fast day in which the minds of our

young are craving something, they know not what, and if parents do not supply their children with elevating literature, the agents of the devil will be ready to supply them with something that will poison and degrade their minds. It is surprising to see such little interest along these lines. It is the duty of every parent to look after the literature which their children read. God holds them responsible for such negligence. The press has been blessed by God in spreading the gospel. Those persons who read religious papers are always our most progressive workers, and are the easiest to enlist in a good cause. We think the religious paper is the pastor's best earthly helper and it is his duty to try to get it into every home. We therefore recommend that every Baptist should be a regular subscriber to one or all of the following periodicals: The Biblical Recorder published at Raleigh N. C., the organ of the Baptist State convenion, should be in every Baptist home. Also, The Skyland Baptist, published at Mars Hill, N. C., and the Foreign Mission Journal; published by the Foreign Mission Board at Richmond, Va., also Charity and Children, published at Thomasville, N. C. By so doing they will be strengthened and God's name glorified. Futhermore we reccommend to our Baptist homes in the bounds of this association the Home Field.

G. H. Blankenship.
A. H. Sims } Com.
A. H. Pinkerton.

John Prevatt from Sampson county was announced and welcomed to a seat at this time.

The report on education was read by T. L. Brown. Motion to adopt.

The association was addressed by O L. Stringfield, A. I. Justice and A. E. Brown. Report adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

There has never been so great interest manifested by our people in education as at this time. From one side of the state to the other the number of pupils in school has been greatly multiplied. The demand for

christian men and women to teach has grown until the sceptic and infidel cannot secure a position. This state of things has grown out of the fact that the public mind knows that there is an important difference in the atmosphere of schools taught by christian men and women, and those taught by men and women who do not love God. When the mind and heart are both trained together education takes shape in our minds as the hand-maid of christianity.

So important is the difference between the doctrines of our churches and those of other denominations that we dare not fail to superintend the education of our young people. We can not afford to do less than patronize our own schools. There is no such thing in existence as a nonsectarian school in its influence. Such a plea is but to deceive the public mind.

The State has put itself under obligations to afford public school advantages for her six hundred thousand children.

We urge that our people make every possible use of these, that we may be no longer charged with such great illiteracy in our state. God's people have provided associational high schools within our reach. We urge that these receive our patronage. Our fathers toiled and sacrificed under God until they gave us Wake Forest College, a school inferior to none in the South for our young men. With a large endowment fund, ample buildings and apparatus our young men can have advantages in grade of scholarships and cost inferior to none in the land.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The primary object of the Baptist State Convention is the education of our young ministers. From year to year we have from thirty to forty young men studying for the ministry.

To these and all minister's sons tuition is free.

To those unable to pay their board the churches advance money to the amount of nine dollars per month each.

This amount is to be returned to the Board of Education after they leave school.

THE BAPTIST FEMALE UNIVERSITY.

For a number of years we have been trying to es-

tablish a school that should be to our young women in every particular what Wake Forest College is to our young men. Through the earnest toils and prayers of our people, we have two large buildings in the heart of the city of Raleigh, convenient to our churches there. This property is easily worth one hundred thousand dollars. The first session of this school was opened September 27th 1899. Two hundred and fifteen young women enjoyed its advantages the first year of its existence.

A larger number will be in attendance as room is provided for them. There is great need for money to provide room and furniture. May we ask this association to aid in this great work at this time? It is with great hope that we ask your aid because all of its great advantages are given to our people at cost; because these advantages are enjoyed by the poor as well as the rich.

Concluding this report we beg to urge that we patronize Mars Hill, Clyde and Fruitland high schools, and Wake Forest College, and the Baptist Female University.

T. L. BROWN,
A. I. JUSTICE, } Com.
M. A. LOVE,

On motion the Baptist orphanage was made a special for 1 p. m. State missions was made special for 2 p. m.

Report on Century Day read by W. M. Vines. Report adopted.

REPORT ON CENTURY DAY.

Your Committee recommend the 5th Saturday and Sunday in Sept. as Century day. We further recommend Beaver Dam Church as the place of meeting. We also recommend that each church represented in this association appoint delegates to the meeting and in order that this recommendation may be successfully carried out we recommend that one delegate from

each church in the association be appointed to see that this matter is attended to.

W. M. VINES,
L. B. MCBRAYER,
W. A. ROBERSON,
} Com.

On motion adjourned. Benediction by A. E. Brown.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1 p. m. The body was called to order by moderator Bradley.

Prayer W. A. Roberson.

Report on orphanage was read by L. B. McBrayer. Spoken to by T. L. Brown, J. H. Tucker, O. L. Stringfield and L. B. McBrayer.

On motion the report was adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

In the orphanage work lies the salvation of the State. Our legislative body might sit in continuous session making laws for the prevention of vice and crime, and the judiciary of the State might hold our courts from one year's end to another, carrying these laws into effect and imposing the penalties fixed for their violation, but as long as the orphan children of the State are allowed to grow up like the thistles and weeds by the wayside, so long will crime increase and be a menace to our body politic. Our orphanage at Thomasville continues to grow in the hearts of the Baptist people, and use its power for good. During the year some 240 children have found protection and shelter from hunger and cold and from vice and immorality within its walls, and there are now nearly 200 children there. These children are fed, clothed, educated and taught the ways of the Lord by the Baptist hosts of North Corolina. Brother, sister, are you, is your church, doing its whole duty toward these helpless ones?

We would recommend that every church in this association take at least one collection a year and that every Sunday school set apart one collection every three months for the support of our orphanage.

North Carolina has had a great many illustrious sons of whom she is justly proud. She has given to the world in war and peace a large number of heroes whose names she delights to honor. But she never had a nobler son or greater hero than the late J. H. Mills, the founder of orphanage work in North Carolina and we might say in the United States. The Baptists of North Carolina are erecting a monument to his memory at Thomasville; this monument is known as the Mills Memorial Building and is a building to be erected and equipped for teaching boys the mechanical arts. This monument will live in the hands and minds of the yeomenry of our state and their posterity, when stately shafts of marble shall have crumbled into dust and been forgotten. We would recommend that every church in this association take one collection during the coming year for the Mills Memorial building.

We have published at the orphanage, by the orphans, a weekly paper, Charity & Children. We don't hesitate to say that this is one among the best papers published in the State, and is well worth the price, $1 per year. There is no greater power in this country than the press. There is nothing that will increase your interest and the interest of your church in the orphanage like reading Charity and Children. All the profits from this paper go into the orphanage treasury.

We would recommend that every Sunday school subscribe for a number of copies of Charity & Children, and consider it a part of their literature. This paper, when taken in clubs of ten or more, can be had at greatly reduced prices.

Respectfully submitted,

L. B. McBrayer, Chm.,
W. A. Robeson,
T. C. Morgan. } Com.

Big Ivy, Aug. 15, 1900.

Rev. A. E. Brown read the report on State missions. Spoken to by A. E. Brown and O. L. Stringfield.

The churches pledged for State missions as follows:

Asheville First Church $150; Antioch $6; Avery's Creek $2 50; Big Ivy $6; Black Mt. $2 50; Berea $5; Beaverdam $15; Chestnut Grove $2; Cane Creek $10; Flat Creek 2 50; Fern Hill $10; Gash's Creek $6; Pleasant Hill $2 50; West End $50; Emley's Grove $3; Brown's Chapel $3; Sweden's Creek S. S. $3; Mt. Olivet $1; Mt. Carmel $7 50; Morgan Hill $5; Spring Mt. $2: Bent Creek $3; Haw Creek $3; Paint Fork $2.

On motion report adopted.

STATE MISSIONS.

The work of our State Mission Board last year was the most successful in the history of the Convention as is shown by the following brief summary:

Number of Missionaries 100; churches and stations supplied 374; persons baptised 1630; added by letters 920; professions witnessed 2235; churches organized 33; Sunday Schools organized 84.

This work was done with an outlay of less than $20,000. But while much has been accomplished, the work is still enlarging. New fields are opening up demanding still greater enlargement of the work. The work of State Missions naturally assumes three divisions—supplying destitution in the east and among the factory people, fostering and encouraging education in the west, and enlisting the cooperation of the large number of our churches which contribute little or nothing to the work of evangelizing the world. The Convention instructed the Board to lay out its work on the basis of $20,000 for this year; of this amount, it is the opinion of your Committee that Buncombe county ought to pay $500.

A. E. Brown,
H. A. Roberson,

Report on Sunday School Convention was read by J. H. Tucker. Spoken to by J. H. Tucker. Report adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Your Committee to whom was referred the ques-

tion of the organization of a Sunday School Convention in the association recommend:

1. That such a convention be organized and the association appoint a committee of five, of Asheville as a central committee, and one member from each church who shall have charge of the organization of the convention.

2. That this Committee shall meet with the church at Beaver Dam on the 5th Sunday in September and Saturday before to organize its first convention, and each Sunday School send four delegates to this convention.

J. H. TUCKER,
A. E. Brown,
T. C. KING,
} Com.

The following resolution on cooperation was read by A. E. Brown. After some remarks by A. E. Brown it was adopted.

RESOLUTION ON COOPERATION.

Realizing the necessity of a closer connection with the Mission Board of our State and Southern Baptist Convention, therefore,

Resolved: that this association appoint a committee of cooperation to consist of four from each church, one of which to be appointed by this association whose duty it shall be to select three others from his church, one to represent State Missions, one Foreign Missions, one Home Missions and one the orphanage. This committee to cooperate with the pastor in disseminating missionary information and collecting funds.

A. E. BROWN.

Report of executive committee was read by A. E. Brown. On motion adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

To the Buncombe Co. Baptist Association:

Your executive committee beg to report that they have been unable to do any mission work in the association because of the fact that the association placed no funds in their hands. We have collected subscriptions amounting to $109.60 pledged at our last associ-

ation for the Weaverville church building and have spent $109.60 on the building. The building is now enclosed, floor laid, doors and windows in and is worth $1500. Temporary seats have also been put in. There is no debt on the building, thanks to Brethren J. H. Stradley and J. M. Stoner who have paid the balance. The State mission board appropriated $150 to this work and your executive committee secured the services of Rev T. L. Brown for one-fourth of his time. The work has not prospered as we had hoped, but Bro. Brown assures us that he has good reasons to believe that the house will be completed this fall. Due Bro. Bradley over $12.

Respectfully submitted,

L. B. McBrayer,
J. T. Justice, } Com.

Adjourned till 8:30 tonight. Benediction by John Ammons.

SECOND DAY—NIGHT SESSION.

Met according to arrangement. Prayer by T. C. King.

The association was called to order by the moderator. The report on Foreign Missions was read by J. M. Hamrick. Motion to adopt.

The association, according to previous arrangements, listened to a sermon by W. M. Vines on missions as the means of Christian growth, from the text "That Ye May Grow Thereby."—I Peter 2:2. After the sermon pledges were taken as follows for foreign missions:

Asheville First church $150, Antioch $7 50, Big Ivy $5, Beaverdam $25, Brown's Chapel $2, Berea $5, Cane Creek $10, Flat Creek $5, Fern Hill $20, Gash's Creek $10, Mt. Carmel $7 50, Morgan Hill $5, Pleasant Hill $2, Spring Mountain $2, West End $45, Emley's Grove $5, Bent Creek $5, Haw Creek $3, cash collection $2 01.

On motion report adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

As we recount God's blessings upon us during the past year, we feel that we should praise Him with thankful hearts. The outlook for christian missions in foreign fields is indeed hopeful and inspiring. Notwithstanding the recent uprising in China, Baptists are hopeful of the work there, and all hearts unite in gratitude to God that to date our missionaries are all safe. Never were the nations better prepared to receive the Gospel. Never were the facilities for reaching them so good. Let us pray that in China, God may bring order out of confusion, and that the wrath of man may be made to praise his name.

It was decided at Southern Baptist Convention last year in session at Louisville to increase our contributions 25 per cent. God in return has increased the results 50 per cent. But he calls us by his providences, as well as by his commands to greater undertakings. The Board received last year $140.102,-30 which is a decided advance over the former year. But we must remember that this is an average of only about 8¾ cents a member for our 1,600,000 Baptists in the South. Attempt great things for God; expect great things of God. The aim this year is to raise $200.000 This can be easily done if pastors will thoroughly organize, and lead their churches in this great work.

Let every pastor in the Buncombe County Association skillfully plan for his church, and then see to it that his plans are promptly carried out.

J. M. HAMRICK, for Com.

J. M. Hamrick read the report on Woman's Work. On motion the report was adopted.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

The Woman's Missionary Society, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention is a most potent factor in the cause of missions which our Home and Foreign Boards espouse. It means the use of woman's power to usher in the Kingdom of Christ.

The Societies of North Carolina have contributed about 37½ per cent of the amount given to Foreign Missions, and nearly 50 per cent. of the amount sent

up by North Carolina Baptists forHome Missions. No church can afford to do without the motive power of the Woman's Missionary society. We urge every pastor to organize the women of the churches for more effectual work in this line of service for the master. J. M. HAMRICK for Com.

On motion adjourned. Benediction by W. M. Vines.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Met at 9 a. m. Devotional exercises conducted by moderator, after which the association was called to order by the moderator. The list of delegates' names was called and those marked who had not been on attendance. Appointed the following committees:

ON ORGANIZATION OF S. S. CONVENTION.

Asheville—J. H. Tucker, L. B. McBrayer, J. M. Stoner, Charlie Davis, J. S. Staley; Antioch—G. D. Carter; Big Ivy—R. I. Ingle; Black Mountain—James Bailey; Beaverdam—J. H. Stradley; Bethel—H. P. Rich; Brown's Chapel—W. T. Bradley, Jr.; Berea—J. A. Cordell; Cane Creek—S. M. Moore; Flat Creek—W. S. Roberts; Fern Hill—T. J. Reed; Gash's Creek—J. A. Brookshire; Hominy—Levi S. Clark; Mt. Carmel—L. Plemmons; Morgan Hill—J. N. Bradley; Pleasant Hill—James Allen; Spring Mountain—S. W. Guffey; Vernon Hill—Geo. W. Ballard; Mount Olivet—R. N. Stewart; Ivy Hill—N. T. Morgan; Paint Fork—Robt. Tesener; Haw Creek—James Cordell, Bent Creek—T L. Brown; Avery's Creek—Jesse Ingram; Emley's Grove—G. W. Marrell; White Rock—G. W. Peebles; Liberty—Robert Sawyer; Mountain View—J. H. Wooten; Chestnut Grove—Joel Brigman.

COMMITTEE ON COOPERATION WITH MISSION BOARD.

Asheville, W. M. Hamrick; West End, W. E. Logan; French Broad, Charles Davis; Fern Hill, Charles Whitaker; Gash's Creek, M. L. Reed; Antioch, J. H Woodward; Avery's Creek, Jesse Ingram; Big Ivy, G. H Blankenship; Berea, H. P. Shope; Bethel, John Brookshire; Brown's Chapel, Milton Revice; Fern Hill, A. S. Whitaker; Black Mountain, J. M. Burlison; Beaverdam, J. T. Justice; Cane Creek, W. M. Wright; Flat Creek, T. B. Redmon; Hominy, E. L.

Clark; Ivy Hill, S. R. Morgan; Liberty, J. R. Sawyer; Mt. Olivet, R. A. Stewart; Morgan Hill, J. W. Goldsmith; Mt. Carmel, T. M. Reymer; Mt. View, A. W. Walker; Spring Mountain, S. W. Guffey; Vernon Hill, G. W. Ballard; White Rock, J. C. Bird; Haw Creek, Scot Cordel; Emley's Grove, G. W. Marrell; Bent Creek, Thos. Stradley; Pleasant Hill, J. D. Taylor.

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.

The following brethren were appointed as chairmen of committees to report at the next annual meeting:

Temperance, Rev. T. L. Brown; Sunday Schools, Dr. W. P. Whittington; Orphanage, J. H. Tucker; Periodicals, Rev. J. M. Hamrick; Education, Rev. W. M. Vines; Foreign Missions, T. C. King; State Missions, L. B. McBrayer; Home Missions, E P. Stradley; B. Y. P. U., J. N. Bradley; Woman's Work, Bradley Spivey; State of the Churches, M. H. Morgan, J. J. Greenwood, A. H. Pinkerton.

The report on temperance was read by J. M. Brookshire. Spoken to by Thos. Stradley, J. M. Brookshire and W. T. Bradley. On motion adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We your Committee on temperance submit, that in our opinion this is one of the most important questions for us to solve, as it seems to be growing day by day. Seeing and realizing the danger that the young as well as the older ones. are in along this line, we therefore urge that the proper place to begin to warn our children against this great danger is from the cradle, around the hearth stone and in the Sabbath school. We pray God that the time may speedily come when this curse will cease.

J. M. Brookshire, }
Thomas Stradley, } Com.

Report on Home Missions read by T. L. Brown. Spoken to by T. L. Brown. On motion report adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The work of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is second in importance to none other. We have in our bounds frontier territory covering about 1000 miles in length, by 500 miles in

width. Frontier work now means not only work among the Indians but a vigorous effort to provide churches and preachers for the hundreds of thousands of people from other states and other lands who have poured in the western and south western portion of our country. The need of the Gospel among this people is as great as that of China or other heathen lands. The Board is also assisting the following states in their State Mission Work: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Missouri, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia. Of the amounts appropriated to these states North Carolina received in cash $3,616.44. The Board is also working among the foreigners in some of our largest cities. This is a great and important work. The negroes are now turning to us for help as never before since the war. The existence of 10,000,000 negroes in our midst demands our earnest attention and consideration. We are perhaps in a position to do more for the negro than any other people in the south. Our great mountain region with its vast possibilties appeals to us as never before. The people of this section are largely Baptist. But if we do not develop them other denominations will soon possess these regions. The Presbyterians of the north spent last year seventy five thousand dollars in the mountains of North Carolina and Tennessee. We must establish Christian schools and develop our people in this section or be superseded by our Presbyterian brethren and other denominations. Cuba is now open to the preaching of the Gospel as never before, and we should obey the leading of providence in hearing our prayers in opening this island. The opportunity now before southern Baptists for pushing our home mission work is great and imperative.

Respectfully submitted. W. M. VINES.

Report on State of Churches read by T. C. King. Spoken to by T. L. Brown and T. C. King. On motion report adopted

STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

Your committee on the state of the churches beg to suggest as a remedy for the seeming falling off of inter-

est and membership of the churches that a committee of Rev. W. M. Vines, Chm., Ed. Stradley, secretary, and Rev. W. F. Staley be appointed to arrange for union meetings with all the churches of the county during this associational year. We feel that this will stimulate and edify both the church members and the ministry.

L. B. McBrayer,
W. A. Roberson,
Jesse Ingram,
W. M. Wright,
W. T. Bradley, Jr., } Committee.

Treasurer's report read and adopted. On motion increased the minute fund from $27.15 to $30.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Collected: Foreign Missions $3 46; State Missions, $7 50; Home Board, $2 00; Orphanage, $8 55; Minute Fund, $30 00; Weaverville, $3 10; total $51 76;

JOHN M. STONER, Treas.

Report on Baptist Young People's Union read by E. P. Stradley. On motion to adopt the report was spoken to E. P. Stradley. Report adopted.

REPORT OF COM ON B. Y. P. U.

August 16th, 1900

Your Committee respectfully submit the following on our young peoples work:

For Bible study—to cultivate the grace of giving; for mutual christian help—to prepare for life and eternity. We know of no better human means than a live, well conducted Baptist Young People's Union.

EDWIN P. STRADLEY for Com.

Report on time, place and preacher adopted. See second page of minutes.

Rev. T. L. Brown was appointed as delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, with T. C. King as alternate. J. M. Stoner was appointed as a member of the Board of Missions and Sunday schools of the Baptist State Convention. Appointed L. B. McBrayer, J. T. Justice and J. M. Hamrick as Executive committee for this association. Appointed T. C. King and W. L. Bradley as delegates to the Baptist State Convention, W. A Roberson and T. L. Brown, as al-

ternates. On motion the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved that the thanks of this body are due and and hereby tendered to the members of this church and community for their generous hospitality.

Moved and carried that the clerk superintend the printing of the minutes, and that he have ten dollars for his service. On motion adjourned to time and place above named. Benediction by moderator.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Average Attend'nce	Professions	Collected For School Support	Orphanage	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Support of Poor	Church Building	Class Collections	Other Objects	State Missions
First Church, Asheville	J. H. Tucker, Asheville	25	450	270		225 56		100 00		4 83	2 20		1 00	
Antioch	J. H. Woodward, Democrat	8	109	35		6 00								
Big Ivy	G. H. Blankenship, Democrat	8	100	70		10 00								
Beaverdam	W. E. Masters, Grace	7	53	40		12 50		22 78	9 10					17 06
Bethel	W. M. Embler, Success	4	69	35		4 00								
Brown's Chapel	C. H. Buckner, Beech	3	23	15		60								
Berea	J. A. Cordell, Riceville	7	50	30		5 00	2 50	1 45						
Cane Creek	S. F. Moore, Fairview	10	115	70		32 60								
Fern Hill	A. S. Whitaker, Biltmore	8	75	45		18 18							15 77	
Gash's Creek	M. L. Reed, Biltmore	3	60	40		10 00								
Mt. Carmel	W. H. Blanchard, Emma	7	78	38	5	5 85	10 13							
Morgan Hill	Miss Zora Williams, Morgan Hill	8	50	40		5 00								
Pleasant Hill	W. L. Coats, Alexander	6	58	30	7	6 82								
Spring Mountain	A. H. Pinkerton. Fairview	6	45	40		4 00							6 15	
Inanda	Mrs. A. L. Graham	6	49	27	3	21 61	2 72							
West End	W. A. Hayes, Asheville	14	316	127										
Mt. Olivet	R. A. Stuart,	4				3 23								
New Salem	Mrs. H. J. Brown,	5	54	45		4 00								
Emley's Grove	E. M. Owenby, Tweed	7	108	75		3 25						2 50		
Haw Creek	James Cordell, Riceville		35											

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES	Church Constituted	Sabbath of Meeting	Baptisms	Receiv'd by letter	Restored	Dis. by l'l'r	Excluded	Dead	Males	Females	Total
First Church, Asheville	E. B. Stradley, Asheville	1829	each	41	28	3	38	12	3			616
Antioch	D. H. Loven, Democrat	1888	3	60	1		4		2			173
Avery's Creek	Jesse Ingram, Avery's Creek	1828	4	60			7		4	20	35	55
Big Ivy	G. H. Blankenship, Avery's Crk	1823	2	26	6	6	29	5	5	74	94	168
Black Mountain	B. W. Burlison, Rock View	1884	4	7			3	10		44	58	102
Beaverdam	E. P. Stradley, Asheville	1885	2&4				4	2		30	24	54
Bethel	O. H. Wild,	1855	4		12		1	1	2	30	54	84
Brown's Chapel	J. W. Ingle, Beech	1852	1		1		4		2	31	42	73
Berea	J. A. Cordell, Riceville	1853	2&4	4		1	16	3	1	30	36	66
Cane Creek	R. A. Morgan Fairview	1806	4				9	2		62	112	174
Chestnut Grove	A. J. Burlison	1895					9	3	6			57
Flat Creek	H. G. McLean, Jupiter	1811	1	6	3		15	2	5	77	90	167
Fern Hill	Charles Whitaker, Biltmore	1889	1&3	1	12		5	4		20	50	70
Gash's Creek	R. C. Sales, Rest Haven	1856	2&4				1		1	39	66	105
Liberty	R. G. Young, Hominy	1995	2		1		2			18	30	48
Mt. Carmel	D. S. Sluder, Owenby	1885	1	5	4		1	1	2	45	56	101
Morgan Hill	W. J. Goldsmith, Morgan Hill	1866	4		9	1	14	1	4	61	71	132
Pleasant Hill	J. D. Taylor, Alexander	1879	1	8	6	1	1	1	1	40	51	91
Spring Mountain	S. W. Guffey, Fairview	1889	3			2		3		23	34	57
Inanda	E. J. Rhodes, Inanda	1882	2	8	4	1			3	10	35	45
West End	W. A. Hayes, Asheville	1893	each	15	25	2	9	10	4	92	155	247
Mt. Olivet	T. D. Scarborough		2&4	1	1		11		2	18	18	36
New Salem	M. L. Lance		2	18	3	3	2			18	38	56
Bent Creek	M. A. Cagle. Demia	1900	2		5					10	17	27
Paint Fork	Jackson Norwood	1900	1							16	14	30
Emley's Grove	F. P. Whitaker	1899	3	9	7					12	24	36
Haw Creek	L. P. Cordell	1900	2&4									16

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidentals	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Church Building and Repairs	Baptist Orphanage	Support of Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects
First Church, Asheville	W. M. Vines, Asheville	$1800 00	721 87	150 00		130 00	2372 94	65 65	60 27	5 00	
Antioch	W. T. Bradley, Morgan Hill	75 00	36 10	5 00	1 70	5 00		5 00		1 55	2 50
Avery's Creek	A. I. Justice, Fruitland	40 00	5 00	2 50				2 50		85	
Big Ivy	W. A. Roberson, Barnardsville	60 00		5 00				2 50		2 25	
Black Mountain	C. C. Metcalf, Paint Fork				2 00					1 00	
Beaverdam	T. L. Brown, Demia	140 00	12 00	10 40	9 23		5 00	6 00		1 00	5 00
Bethel	C D. Cole, Grantville	50 00				2 70	34 00			1 00	
Brown's Chapel	T. K. Brown, Black Mt	24 00				10 00		1 00		80	
Berea	S. I. Keeler, Mt. Treat	100 00	30 00	6 00		6 05		2 50		60	
Cane Creek	W. T. Bradley, Morgan Hill	100 00	25 00			18 75	2 00			1 50	5 00
Chestnut Grove	W. A. Roberson, Barnardsville	24 00								80	
Flat Creek	C. D, Cole, Grantville	30 00				3 25		35		1 25	
Fern Hill	J. M. Hamrick, Biltmore	200 00	27 40	22 34	7 61	8 20	368 41	5 75		75	17 81
Gash's Creek	J. M. Hamrick, Biltmore	100 00		5 00		5 00		5 00		50	
Liberty	M. M. Sluder, Juno	25 00									
Mt. Carmel	T. L. Brown, Demia	75 00	13 00	10 00		5 00	20 00	10 20	3 60	1 40	
Morgan Hill	John Ammons, Outlook		72	4 77		3 80	2 00	2 50	6 50	1 10	
Pleasant Hill	W. T. Bradley, Morgan Hill	40 00		1 50	40	57	25 00	2 00		1 15	
Spring Mountain	W. M. Jamerson, Fairview	25 00				40	8 00	1 00		50	
Inanda	W. P. Southern, Inanda	75 00	50 00	5 00		10 00		75	5 30	1 00	
West End	J. F. Vines, Asheville	600 00	138 61	30 86	48 92	33 35	12 11	35 00	16 61	2 00	18 00
Mt. Olivet	John Sexton, Asheville			1 00				1 00			
New Salem	H. P. Rich, Emma	40 00					1 30			1 00	
Bent Creek	T. L. Brown, Demia	25 00		2 00		1 00		2 00		75	
Paint Fork	W. A. Roberson, Barnardsville	25 00								1 00	
Emley's Grove	J. W. Justice, Rest Haven	46 00					2 50			1 00	
Haw Creek	W. F. Staley. Asheville	40 00								40	

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

SECTION 1. This body shall be known as "The Buncombe County Baptist Association."

ARTICLE II.—CONSTITUENCY.

SECTION 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist church in Buncombe county, who shall be recomomend by a letter from the church, containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for; *provided*, however, that any church, whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled upon application, to representation in this Association.

SEC. 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty five members in excess of twenty-five.

SEC. 3. The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body, without being excused by this Association, until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE III.—OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually immediately after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

SEC. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's "Parliamentary Practice."

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.—Object.

Section 1. It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

ARTICLE V.—Committees.

Section 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State and Asssociational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday Schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of said committees to report, in writing, on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

ARTICLE VI—Executive Board.

Section 1. This body shall at each annual meeting appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethern, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of the North Carolina Baptist Convention in supplying the destitute within our bounds.

ARTICLE VII.—Church Letters.

Section 1. The church letters shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their postoffice; number baptised, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members; time of prayer-meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday School and Bible Missions, and, if for any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday School to be as follows: Number enrolled and aver-

age attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and postoffice of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.—By Laws.

Section 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's "Manual of Parliamentary Practice."

ARTICLE IX.—Meeting.

Section 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.—Printing.

Section 1. Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI.—Correspondence.

Section. 1. This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII.—Faith.

Section 1. This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and the only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Sec. 2 As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII.—Amendment.

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

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The next session of this body will be held with the West End Baptist Church, Asheville, beginning on Tuesday after the second Sunday in August 1902, at 11 a. m.

PROCEEDINGS.

FAIRVIEW, N. C., Aug. 13, 1901.

The Buncombe County Baptist Association met today with the Cane Creek Baptist church, in it's twentieth annual session, at 11 a. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by T. L. Brown.

In the absence of both Moderator and Clerk, John P. Morgan was called to the chair.

J. M. Stoner and A E Brown were appointed reading clerks, and letters were read and delegates' names were enrolled from the following churches:

Spring Mountain—S. F. Moore, S. W. Guffey, Leander Freeman, Emil Kirstein.

Cane Creek—A. W. Morgan, Wm. Wright, J. L. Ashworth, G. W. Sales, H. Grant, James Trantham, J A. Wray.

Liberty—Wm. McElrath.

Avery's Creek—Robt. Clayton, J. L Wolf, M. F. Ingram.

Big Ivy—A. I. Ingle, W. F. Robinson.

West End—(Asheville) A. E. Brown, J. B. Grice.

Bent Creek—Thomas Stradley, N B Creasman.

The election of officers was then held, which resulted as follows: Moderator, John P. Morgan; Clerk, T. L Brown; Treasurer, J. M. Stoner; Historian, L. B. McBrayer

The following visitors were recognized: O. L. Stringfield, Educational Secretary of Raleigh, N. C., and B. W. Spillman, Field Secretary of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptis Convention, Nashville, Tenn.

On motion adjourned one hour for dinner. Benediction by B. W. Spillman.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association re-assembled at 2 p. m.

Letters were presented and delegates' names enrolled as follows:

Bethel—J. P. Brookshire, H. C. Ingle, J. H. McKinish,

Antioch—J. H. Woodward, G. D. Carter.

Mt. Carmel—R. N. Brookshire, J. H. Miller, L. Knight, T. P. Brookshire.

Flat Creek—L. Allman.

Vernon Hill—G. W. Ballard, A. D. Daves.

Hominy—M. H. Morgan, E L Clark.

Pleasant Hill—James Allen, W. L Coats.

Black Mountain—B. W. Burlison, J. W. Burlison, J. M. Greenwood.

Beaverdam—J. T. Justice, E P. Stradley.

Pleasant Grove—Eli Garren, J. R. Suttle, J. B. Wright.

First Church, (Asheville)—J. H. Tucker, J. M, Stoner, W. C. Stradley, J. Mooney, J. Powell Tucker.

Morgan Hill—J. P. Morgan.

Gashes' Creek—J. A. Brookshire.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

Temperance—T. L Brown, Thos. Stradley, E L. Clark, J. H. Woodward.

Sunday Schools—W. P, Whittington, J. A. Brookshire, N. B. Creasman, J. B Grice.

Periodicals—A. E. Brown, J. T. Justice, W. A. Robeson, Henry Grant.

Orphanage—J H. Tucker, R. N. Brookshire, M. F. Ingram, J. H. Miller.

Education—A E Brown, Jas. Allen, S. J. Ashworth, E. P Stradley.

Foreign Missions—J. H. Tucker, J. M Stoner, Jason Ashworth, T P. Brookshire

State Missions—L B McBrayer, Robt. Clayton, J. H. McKinish, Rufus Ashworth

Home Missions—E P Stradley. L Allman, W. C. Ducker, G. D. Carter.

B. Y. P. U.—J N. Bradley, Walter Wray, S. W. Guffey, A D. Daves

Woman's Work—Bradley Spivey, G. W. Ballard, W. C. Stradley, J. G Rymer, S F Moore.

State of the Churches—M. H. Morgan, J. J. Greenwood, A. H. Pinkerton, A. W. Morgan, L. Knight, J. L. Ashworth.

Time, Place and Preacher—John Brookshire, Leander Freeman, J. T. Justice, A. I. Ingle and J. L. Wolf.

Religious Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of Cane Creek church.

Finance—J. M. Stoner, J. H. Woodward, W. L. Coats.

The following brethren were recognized: A. Johnson, Editor Charity and Children, A. B. Thomas from the Tuckaseige Association and J. W. Bailey, Editor Biblical Recorder.

Macedonia Baptist church was received by letter from the New Found Baptist Association, and her delegates' names were enrolled as follows:

Macedonia—H. B. Miles, W. H. Austin, J. G. Rymer.

On motion a committee on Order of Business was appointed: J. H. Woodward, J. H. Tucker, A. W. Morgan, J. T. Justice and Jason Ashworth.

A. E. Brown presented the report on Periodicals,

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We are becoming more fully awake to the powerful influence of the literature we place in our homes. Our young people are reading and are going to continue to read something, and the wise parent will see that his children have wholesome literature at their command, for being good and doing good depends largely on what we read. There are many who belong to the debased and criminal classes of the people who might have been saved to God and society if they could have had the benefit of good reading matter in their homes.

A wise pastor will endeavor to see that the homes of his people are supplied with the best religious papers to be obtained.

The Biblical Recorder is the organ of the Baptists of our State. It is recognized as one of the best edited periodicals in our whole country. Its editor is watchful of the interests of all the people, and is fearless in advocating the right, both in church and state. It is a sound, aggressive paper and we do not

hesitate to say that every home into which the Recorder does not enter suffers loss.

We also commend to our people Charity and Children, the organ of the Orphanage; the Skyland Baptist, the Foreign Mission Journal, and the Home Field. These are all valuable papers and worthy of a place in every home.

A. E Brown.
W. A. Robertson,
Henry Grant.
J. T. Justice.

After discussion by A. B. Thomas, J. W. Bailey, A. Johnson and A. E. Brown, the report was adopted.

The committee on Order of Business made the following report: Meet at 9 a m, spend thirty minutes in devotional exercises. Adjourn at 12 m. Meet at 1 p. m. and adjourn at will.

On motion the report on State Missions was made a special order for 11 a. m. tomorrow.

After announcements the Association adjourned with benediction by A. Johnson.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association met at 9 A. M. A. B. Thomas led in the devotional exercises.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Letters were read from the following churches; and their delegates names were enrolled.

Mountain View— S. I. Keeler, Deward Walker.

Berea— (No delegates)

Mt. Olivet—R. A. Steward.

J. L Kesler of the Baptist Female Univresity, Raleigh, and J. C Postell pastor of the Fairyview M E church were recognized as visitors

The Report on Sunday Schools was read by J. H. Tucker.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Following the recomendation of the committee on Sunday School Convention, which was appointed by this Association last year, the committee appointed on organization met with the Beaverdam Church the fifth Sunday in September 1900, and perfected the organization by electing J. H. Tucker, Pres. and J. Terrel Justice Sec. and Treas.

The meeting was very enthusiastic and was addressed by Drs. Vann of the Female University, Raleigh, and J. L. M. Curry of Richmond, Va. and others from the delegation. The meeting continued two days and the Holy Spirit was present in great power, as evidenced by the conversion and reclamation of fifteen souls.

There have been three other meetings held with Gashe's Creek, Mt. Carmell, and Inanda churches respectively. These meetings have all been very satisfactory and encouraging; one half of the Sunday Schools being represented at each meeting. The next meeting will be held with Berea Church.

As a result of the work done at the four meetings of this convention, we expect to see by the letters from the churches that the Sunday School work has greatly improved during the last few months. We heartily recommend that the Conventional work be continued as begun, believing it to be one of the best methods of awakening enthusiasm in the individual church. We would urge the pastors to be energetic and faithful in the organization and continuation of Sunday Schools in their churches Outside of the home the Sunday School is the best place to teach the truths of the Bible; and if our young people are not taught these truths by our own people they will grow up and be unsaved, or drift into other schools and churches and be lost to our denomination, and the truths of the Gospel as we believe them.

Then let us strive earnestly to continue live, interesting Sunday Schools in every church in this Association every Sunday in the year.

W. P. Whittington.
J A. Brookshire.
N. B. Creasman.
J. B Grice.

Discussed by B. W. Spillman and J H. Tucker.

The hour for the special order having arrived the report on State Missions was read.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

It would seem that State Missions is really the foundation of all other Mission work, and hence should be accorded the right of way. If we could get our State thoroughly evangelized and organized there would be a large increase in mission efforts and contributions; Foreign, Home, Orphanage, etc. without apparent effort. Since our last meeting our beloved, eloquent,

wise and courageous Cor. Sec. John E. White, whom all of us know but to love, has resigned, to accept pastorate of the Second Baptist Church of Atlanta, Ga. The vacancy was filled by the election of Livingston Johnson of Greensboro. Those in a position to know him are confident that Bro. Johnson is fully able to follow White—more need not be said.

The State has been divided by the Board into three great mission fields: (1) Eastern Carolina, or the work against anti missionism; (2) Piedmont Carolina or factory missions: (3) Western Carolina or educational missions.

In Eastern Carolina last year there were 35 missionaries, and they were supposed to cover 36 counties. In three of these counties lying side by side we have not had a single Baptist preacher and in ten others only one preacher to the county. In the Piedmont section there are 41 missionaries, 18 especially engaged in factory work. And the factory population alone in this territory amounts to more than 100,000. In Western Carolina there are 21 workers. The board has also contributed $1270 77 additional, to educational work in Western North Carolina, most of which went to aid in the maintenance of the six high schools that have been started in W. N. C.

The credit is largely due to the assistant Cor. Sec., our own beloved A. E. Brown, for his indefatigable efforts in behalf of these schools, and through his persistent efforts about $10,000 was raised in W. N. C. last year for this work.

It is hoped that all the schools will be completed this year. Most of them were in operation last year, and there were more than 1200 pupils enrolled—25 of whom were young ministers. Bible christianity and Missions are taught in all these schools.

You will remember that the State Convention was organized in the first decade of the century just ended, with about fifteen associations situated widely apart. At that time there were less than 10 000 Baptists in North Carolina. Less than 100 Baptist preachers. A few more than 100 churches. Today we have 169 000 white Baptists; 1653 churches, and 900 ministers. Our 97 missionaries of today would have occupied the time of every Baptist preacher in the State 100 years ago. Have we not reason to thank God and take courage? But our work is not done, we are still stumbling with uneven pace over the broken arches

of the bridge of time, and wails of the falling and sinking reach our ears at every step, and we must help them or they will perish. We trust that the pastors of this Association will not fail to do their whole duty during the coming year, and that they will lay this great subject on the hearts of the people, for then we need not fear the results. To that end we would recommend that every pastor in this Association preach a special sermon on State Missions between this and November, and give their people an opportunity to contribute to this noble work of God.

We would also recommend the appointment of a committee of one from each church (give P. O address) whose names and addresses should be registered in the Baptist State Mission rooms at Raleigh through whom the churches could be reached with literature, etc.

L. B. McBrayer,
Robt. Clayton,
Rufus Ashworth,
J. H. McKinish.

Remarks were made by A. E. Brown.

At this point John E. Ray, President of the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools was recognized, and he continued the discussion on this report.

A collection amounting to $6.61 was taken for State Missions.

The association adjourned, with prayer by John E. Ray.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The association assembled again at 1.30 p. m.

The Report on State Missions was again taken up, and J. H, Tucker offered the following amendment:

We recommend that this association call a conference of the pastors and deacons of all the churches of the county at the First Baptist church, Asheville, on Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in Sept 1901, for the purpose of considering the advisability of dividing the county into pastoral districts and grouping our churches with a view to cooperation and consolidation of our work. The said conference shall report the result of its meeting to the association at its next session.

After discussion by J. H. Tucker and A. E. Brown the amendment was adopted.

The report was then adopted.

Swannanoa Baptist church made application for membership in the associaton, and on motion it was received.

Letter from Ivy Hill was read, and delegates' names enrolled.

Swannanoa—W. H. Wright, J. W. Justice.

Ivy Hill—N. T. Morgan.

J. H. Tucker presented the report of the committee on the Orphanage.

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

The first official steps taken by our denomination to establish an orphanage was at the Convention in Raleigh in 1884. The wisdom of this movement was questioned by many of our wise brethren, and a resolution to establish an orphanage was introduced but withdrawn under fire of the opposition. Who would now dare raise his voice against it? Its very success has proven its necessity and we all bow in love to its demands.

The friends of the measure were not to be thwarted by the opposition. They met apart from the conventon and organized "The Baptist Orphanage association," and appointed a committee to procure a charter, and another to select a site for the orphanage. The site was selected at Thomasville late in 1884, and in January 1885 the Legislature granted a charter to the North Carolina Baptist Orphanage Association." Later the Legislature changed its name to the "Board of Trustees of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage, with eighteen members and made the Board self-perpetuating.

The first orphan was admitted on Nov, 11, 1885. The entrance of a fatherless one into the orphanage melted away all opposition and committed the denomination to this glorious work. Thank God for this day! Nothing short of eternity can reveal the blessings of that movement to the State of North Carolina—to her orphans—to a great people who needed this institution to arouse their love.

More than 600 children have found a loving home in the orphanage. 245 were enrolled last year and not one

was lost. 65 new ones entered and 35 were sent out. $25,000 have been added in permanent improvement in six years, and $7550 during the last. Last year Charity and Children yielded a profit of $1015; the farm $920; the shoe shop $95. General contributions exceeded $10.000.

The cost of an orphan's board, lodging, living, education--everything for each child is $4 38 per month. The little ones are well cared for, contented and happy. We have orphans there. Shall we withhold from them our sympathy, our love, and our substance?

J. H. Tucker.
M. F. Ingram.
J. H. Miller.
R. N. Brookshire.

After remarks by A. Johnson and J. H. Tucker, a collection amounting to $7 05 was taken for the orphanage. The report was then adopted.

Report of the committee on Education was presented.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Each year brings to us greater reasons for rejoicing in the success of our schools and colleges.

The greatest wealth of our State is not in the manufacturing interests, nor in our mining interests, nor in the richness of our soil. Nor in the grandeur of our cloud capped mountains, but in the five hundred and thirty-six thousand white children of our State. In view of the fact that the great majority of these will not enjoy the advantages of a collegiate education, it is of the greatest possible importance that we do our utmost to make the

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all they can possibly be.

To this end we urge that competent, godly teachers be employed to teach in these schools.

There is a reason why only one hundred and forty-three thousand of our white children attend them regularly. This will not be true when we do what we can do to popularize the public schools.

ACADEMIES.

We rejoice in the establishment of so many High schools, and that these are being so largely patronized.

We gladly mention the names of the following as

worthy of your patronage and support: Fruitland Institute, Mars Hill College, Haywood High School at Clyde, which are contiguous to our county. We have also other high schools in other sections of the State, any of which are worthy of patronage.

OUR COLLEGES.

Our great prosperity as a denomination can easily be traced to our colleges.

By the prayers and struggles of the Baptist people from one side of our State to the other, we have Wake Forest College and the Baptist Female University. These are not inferior to any in the south for men and women.

By the liberality of our people the superior advantages of these schools are offered our people at the smallest possible cost.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The primary object for the establishment of Wake Forest College was to educate ministers to preach the gospel.

Each year, from thirty to fifty young men are aided by the churches and associations to pursue their studies there. Tuition is given them by the College. The churches aid these poor young men to secure board.

We urge the hearty sympathy of every church in all of our work for training of our boys and girls and our young men and women.

A E Brown,
James Allen,
S. J. Ashworth,
E. P. Stradley.

The Association was then addressed by O. L Stringfield and J. W. Bailey, after which the following brethren were appointed to arrange for Educational meetings, invite speakers, etc. in their respective churches:

Antioch—G D. Carter, Democrat.
Avery's Creek—M. F. Ingram, Avery's Creek.
Big Ivy—A. 1. Ingle, Banardsville.
Beaverdam—J. T Justce, Asheville.
Bethel—J. H. McKinish, Emma.
Cane Creek—S. J. Ashworth, Fairview.

Flat Creek—L. Allman, Stocksville.
First Church—W. M. Vines, Asheville.
Fern Hill—Mrs. C. R Whitaker, Biltmore.
Gashe's Creek—J. A. Brookshire, Biltmore.
Liberty—W. C. McElrath, Hominy.
Mt. Carmel—R N. Brookshire, Emma.
Morgan Hill—Jones Goldsmith, Morgan Hill.
Pleasant Hill—W. L. Coats. Alexander.
Spring Mountain—S. W. Guffey, Fairview.
Vernon Hill—G. W. Ballard, Leanda.
West End—L. B. McBrayer, Asheville.
Bent Creek—Thos. Stradley, Demia.
Swannanoa—W. H. Wright, Swannanoa.
Pleasant Grove—Eli. Garren, Fairview.
Weaverville—Z. V. Robinson, Weaverville.
Ivy Hill—N. T. Morgan, Morgan Hill.
Macedonia—H. B. Miles, Owenby.
Hominy—E, L Clark, Hominy.
Berea—J. A. Cordell, Riceville.
Black Mountain—W. A. Robertson, Barnardsville
Mountain View—S. I. Keeler, Montreat.
Mt. Olivet—T. D. Scarborough, Asheville.
The report was then adopted.
The report of the Historian was read and adopted.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

The last association met at Big Ivy Baptist church, Barnardsville, N. C August, 14, 1900, and was largely attended. All of the officers of the preceding year were re-elected. Among the visitors present were Revs. O. L. Stringfield, Educational Sec'y., A. H. Sims, representing the Biblical Recorder, John Ammons, M. A Love, T. M. Honeycut, A. I. Justice, and others.

Under the direction of the Association, and its Ex. Com., Rev W. M. Vines, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Asheville, made a tour of the churches of this county in October, 1900, preaching and speaking on the subject of education. He was accompanied on the whole tour by Miss A E. Draughn, Vice President of the Ladies Missionary Union for Buncombe Co., and at times by other prominent brothers and sisters. It is thought that much good was accom-

plished. There were about 40 conversions from these meetings.

We have had a number of good revival meetings in the county during the year. The Moderator, Rev. W. T. Bradley, conducted a meeting at the North Asheville Mission Station in October 1900, at which there were 30 or more conversions Rev. Millard A. Jenkins of Dublin, Ga conducted a meeting at West End Church, Asheville the latter part of May 1901. Rev. Mr. Jenkins is a son of Buncombe and of this Association, of whom she may justly feel proud. He is earnest, learned, progressive, able, and eloquent. He ranks easily with the ablest Gospel preachers of the day; and I am sorry that North Carolina should see fit to trade such preachers to other States, usually losing by the transaction.

During the year there have been a few changes of pastors. Rev. T. L Brown has given up Mt. Carmel, Beaverdam, and Bent Creek churches, and taken charge of West End church, Asheville. Rev. J. F. Vines resigned at West End immediately after the last session of the Association, and has been taking a course in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. He also has charge of some churches near Louisville. He is an active, earnest worker for the Lord, and very much endeared himself to the people of West End. Rev. W. P. Southern continues to supply Ivanda and has also taken Bent Creek. He has been unable to devote much of his time to the work because of the continued ill health of his wife, which at this time is by no means improved. Rev M. Sluder now has charge of Mt. Carmel, and has lately been called to Bethel. Rev. Cole resigned. Rev. J. M. Hamrick has resigned at Biltmore and Gashes Creek, and has gone with his most estimable wife to Mt. Airy, N. C. The pastorates at Biltmore and Gashes Creek are vacant at present.

Rev. W F. Staley, late of Ohio, but now of Asheville was recently ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry by the First Baptist Church, and has been elected its Asst. pastor. In addition to this work he is also preaching at Beaverdam.

Rev. W. H. Woodall of Mars Hill has been preaching once a month at Weaverville, paid by the State Board of Missions and Sunday Schools. So far as I am able to learn nothing further has been done toward the completion of this house. Rev. W. E Wil-

kins of Clyde preached for a month or two at White Rock, but gave it up on account of a lack of unity of purpose in the church. Berea Church is now and has been for some time without a pastor.

Among the most notable happenings among the Baptists of this county during the past year was the payment in full of the entire indebtedness of the First Baptist church. They have now the most magnificent church edifice in the county, of any denomination, and there are few in the South with which it would not compare favorably. They have also installed a large and elegant pipe organ. They expect to have a dedication service the last of this month, to which all the former living pastors of the church will be invited. As soon as the debt was paid they did not ask for a rest; but immediately began to enlarge the field of their influence and subscribed and are paying $1200 annually for Missions.

The three churches of the city have rented the church house built by the Presbyterians in South Asheville, and have established a Mission there. West End church has organized a Mission Sunday School in West Asheville in a rented house.

Rev. A. E Brown has continued in the work of Asst. Cor. Sec. of the State Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, working for the most part in the interest of education. The five high schools in W. N. C. that he has so largely aided in establishing, are now in running order and the buildings will all be finished soon.

The Sanctificationists have produced some disaffection and trouble in the west end of this county, and at one time it seemed as if they would disrupt the church at Bethel They had meetings for quite a while in their meeting-house by the consent of the church. They have also had meetings in the western part of the city of Asheville. The ravings of their preachers are said to have bordered closely on vulgarity and indecency. They were followed by quite a crowd of the rabble. We hear nothing of them now and suppose they have moved on to newer if not greener fields.

Rev. A C. Dixon of Ruggles street Baptist church, Boston, Mass., preached at the First Baptist church, Asheville, Sunday, Aug. 28th. He is another North Carolina preacher whom we have traded to other states His first pastorate was at Mt. Olive; then at Chapel Hill; then the First Baptist church, Asheville;

from there he went to Baltimore; then to Brooklyn, N. Y., and now he is in Boston, Mass. He is considered by all denominations as one of the ablest preachers of the world. He is fast attaining the reputatian held by the late Spurgeon. He always spends his vacations in North Carolina, and speaks at the First Baptist church, Asheville, and spends a good deal of his time while here at the Christian Conference at Montreat, near Black Mountain, in this county.

Rev. H. L. Dudley of Danville, Va., has charge of the French Broad Avenue church, Asheville, and Rev. C. H. Durham has moved to Lumberton, N. C., and has charge of the Baptist church at that place.

Rev. H. P. Rich has been excluded from the Bethel Baptist church on the charge of heresy. He went off after the Sanctificationists.

Rev. E. Judson Morgan of Hominy has ceased to do pastoral work, and is devoting his time to farming, at which he is quite successful. We miss him very much from the ministry and we need him very badly.

Jesse W. Morgan, a member of the Hominy Baptist church—a prominent Baptist and a citizen died July 1, 1901. J. N. Morgan, who for years conducted a book store in Asheville, died in the early spring.

I am sorry that truth compels me to say that the churches of this Association are not as progressive as they should be, and are not carrying on and pushing forward the Lord's work as they should.

The fifth Sunday meetings have been productive of some good, the first one especially, which met at Beaverdam and was addressed by Hon. J. L. M. Curry and Dr. R. T. Vann.

Mr. J. H. Tucker has been quite zealous during the year in pushing forward the work of the Sunday School Institutes, as provided at the last session of this body.

L. B. McBrayer, Historian.

On motion the Association adjourned till 8 o'clock this evening. Benediction was pronounced by W. H. Woodall.

EVENING SESSION.

The session opened with prayer by S. Irving Keeler.

The Committee on Foreign Missions presented this report.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Missions is the word that stands for sending preachers to preach the Gospel of Jesus, the son of God and Savior of men, to those who have not the Gospel.

Foreign Missions stands for sending the Gospel to those in foreign lands that have it not

Why we ought to do this is plain For the Scripture commands us in the words of Jesus Himself Moreover if the Gospel is good for us in America, it is good for men and women and children in other countries, There is but one way to be saved—Other Foundation can no man lay but that is laid—Christ Jesus our Lord And God loves not only us, but He so loved the world that He Gave His Only Begotten Son.

We note with pleasure that out Foreign mission work is flourishing The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention increased our number of missionaries last year 25 per cent, and this year a like increase has been projected. We now have more than a hundred missionaries, and many native workers standing up in our name for Jesus in heathen and papal lands.

An agency that has done and is doing much to strengthen our mission work is the Woman's Missionary Societies. These institutions encourage our good women, help them educate their children in missionary knowledge and conviction, and increase the means of support. Besides they lift up the life of the churches, as all missionary work does.

We belive that every man, rich or poor, and every woman and child like wise ought to have an interest and a share in the evangelization of the world.

J. H. Tucker.
J. M. Stoner.
Jason Ashworth.
T. P. Brookshire.

The report was discussed by S. I. Keeler, A. E. Brown and A. I. Justice.

Miss Graham, a missionary under appointment to go to Africa under the Northern Baptist Missionary Board, was introduced to the association. A special prayer for her and her work was led by A. I. Justice.

Pledges were then taken for Foreign Missions as follows:

West End, ch, Asheville,	$ 45 00	Flat Creek,	5.00
First ch, Asheville,	400.00	Fern Hill,	25 00
Antioch,	10.00	Gashe's Creek,	10.00
Avery's Creek,	5.00	Mt Carmel,	7.50
Big Ivy,	5 00	Morgan Hill,	5.00
Beaverdam,	25.00	Pleasant Hill,	3 00
Brown's Chapel,	2.00	Spring Mountain,	4 00
Berea,	5 00	Bent Creek,	4 00
Cane Creek,	5.00	Haw Creek,	3.00
French Broad Ave, ch,	25 00	Macedonia,	4.00
Vernon Hill,	60.00	Mountain View,	10.00
Ivy Hill	2 00	Hominy,	5 00
Weaverville,	5.00	Swannanoa,	2.50
Liberty,	2 50	Pleasant Grove,	1 00
Mt. Olivet,	1.00		

The report was then adopted.

J. N. Bradley read the report of the committee on the B. Y. P. U.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

In reviewing the work of the B. Y. P. U., wherever organization is thorough, we find that lasting good has been wrought for the cause of Christ, and for the spiritual growth of those engaged in this noble work. To say nothing of the growing influence, the direct good accomplished for each one actually engaged in the work, ought to prompt each church to look to the organization of a B. Y. P. U. in connection with their other church duties.

If each church had an active organization of this nature, we should certainly not find so many who call themselves christians, and who at the same time are absolutely dead to good works. Let's make our children better by teaching them to be active. Let's make them more useful by teaching them that those who take the lead in christian citizenship must soon come from the rank and file. Let's teach them that the call for active, energetic christians in this the beginning of a new century is more emphatic today than at any previous time in the world's history. Along with progress comes new duties; plans for work in this country must be founded on a broader basis than those previously founded. We fear that the problems of the future may prove so grave that our most conservative christians shall be put to it to carry them with safety. The full work of the great church of Christ must soon fall into the hands of those who are now mere children. Let's organize them for the work, and vigorously push the work that must soon

be theirs altogether. How can we better start than to immediately set on foot an active B. Y. P. U. in each church in the bounds of this association? We should ever be glad to patronize a good thing, because it must stand against the powers of the world and Satan. If anyone here doubts the ability of children to do lasting work in God's kingdom, let him glance at the work of the church in our Thomasville Orphanage where there are only eight adult members.

J. N. Bradley,
Walter Toms Wray,
S. W. Guffey,
A. D. Daves.

After discussion by A. I. Justice, J. M. Stoner, W. H. Woodall and A. E. Brown the report was adopted.

The association then adjourned with benediction by A. E. Brown.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by A. I. Justice.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and adopted.

The Treasurer's report was read and on motion was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Collected:

Orphanage,	- -	$ 20 99
State Missions,	- - -	11 36
Home Missions,	- - -	11 00
Foreign Missions,	- -	16 21
Ministerial Relief,	- -	1 00
Minutes,	- -	29 35
	Total,	89 91

J. M. Stoner, Treas.

Just at this point a letter from our former Moderator, W. T. Bradley, was read to the association. Bro. Bradley was detained home because of sickness in his family. Prayer for him and his sick son was led by S. I. Keeler.

The report of the committee on Temperance was read.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Eating and drinking natural food to excess is a specie of intemperance to be avoided But to eat unnatural or poisonous food, or to drink alcoholic poisons is not only an intemperate act, but it is also a suicidal indulgence, and it is worthy of an unreserved condemnation. More than 100,000 of our countrymen fall under the blighting hand of intemperance every year, leaving as many homes desolate and ruined.

The cost of intemperance to our country is over $1,200 000,000 each year; and yet its cost in dollars is not to be compared to its cost in manhood, morality and happiness It degrades human nature, impairs the senses, banishes reason, influences the passions, enslaves the will, and insults God, Intemperance is a foe to christianity—an enemy to the gospel Yet the whiskey traffic is a legalized one, made so by the voters of our country. And in this legalized business of manufacturing drunkards, paupers and criminals, there are engaged more than 200 000 American saloons, demanding the labor of about 1,000,000 men. 'Tis strange that professedly christian men continue to lend their suffrage to perpetuate this business. How anyone who loves home, children and God can be indifferent to this evil is a mystery. It has blasted more homes, blighted more lives and broken more hearts than war, pestilence and famine combined. It is an unmitigated evil and not one honest word can be said in its favor.

Total abstinence from all intoxicating drinks is the only safe ground, for moderate drinking leads to drunkenness.

As an association we stand unalterably opposed to the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage

T. L. Brown,
Thos. Stradley,
E. L. Clark,
J. H. Woodward.

The report was spoken to by S. F. Moore and A. I. Justice. It was then adopted.

E P. Stradley presented the report on Home Missions.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee begs leave to submit that in view of the great frontier destitution in Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Texas; of the grand possibilities in

Cubs; of our uncared for foreign and factory population; of our urgent need of education in the mountain sections, and especially in our own State, we do earnestly appeal to the Baptists of Buncombe county, through their representatives here assembled, for increased liberality in giving to the support of the work of the Home Mission Board. Brethren, let us give as God has given to us.

E P. Stradley.
G. D Carter.
L. Allman.

The report was adopted after discussion by E. P. Stradley and A. I. Justice.

T. Neil Johnson, Field Secretary of the State Sunday School Board was recognized.

The report of the committee on Sunday Schools was again taken up, and after further discussion by T. Neil Johnson was adopted.

The committee on Time, Place, and Preacher made the following report.

Time—Tuesday after the Second Sunday in August 1902.

Place—West End Baptist Church, Asheville.

Preacher of Introductory Sermon—Rev. W. F. Staley.

The report was adopted.

The Executive Committee presented the following report which was adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee has secured the services of Rev. W. H. Woodall for one fourth of his time at Weaverville, the State Mission Board paying therefor.

We have also cooperated with Rev. W. M Vines in making his tour of the churches, the expenses of all which have been met promptly, notwithstanding the Association makes no provision for expenses, and no collections have been taken.

We have found it difficult to communicate with the brethren of the different churches as we would like. We would therefore reccommend that a book of registry be kept by this Association, and that every brother and sister present at each annual meeting be requested to register therein his or her name, post of-

fice address, and the name of the church, missionary society, etc. to which he or she may belong, and that it be one of the duties of the Executive Committee to keep this book, and see that it is on hand at the annual meeting.

We would urge upon the pastors of the Association the importance of meeting together often for mutual and spiritual uplift, and to that end we would request them to attend the fifth Sunday meetings and Sunday School Institutes, and see that their churches and Sunday Schools are represented at these meetings.

L. B. McBrayer.
J. T. Justice

On motion L. B. McBrayer, J. T. Justice and M. W. Hamrick were elected members of the Executive Committee for the coming year.

The report on the state of the churches was presented

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

Your Committee think that the state of the churches is fairly good. Of course we have some churches within our bounds, that are doing but very little good. Spiritually some of our churches are in a low state. Some of them have no pastors. The visits of Rev. W. M. Vines to the churches last year were very helpful.

We think it would be very helpful if we could have Union Meetings every three months at some of our churches.

Let us try to do more during the coming year.

M. H. Morgan.
A. W. Morgan.
J. L. Ashworth

Remarks were made by T. L. Brown and A. I. Justice.

T. L. Brown offered the following amendment which was adopted.

AMENDMENT.

We reccommend that W. M. Vines, J. H. Tucker, S. J. Ashworth, E. L. Clarke, and J. H. Woodward be appointed a committee into whose

hands the management of the fifth Sunday meetings during the coming year shall be committed.

The report was then adopted.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

Your Committee on Woman's Work reports with gratification the steady advance and enlargement of this important department of our church work. Fifteen years ago our State Board of Missions requested a committee of ladies to endeavor to unite the women of the Baptist churches of our State in greater efforts for State, Home, and Foreign Missions to this end inducing them to organize themselves into Woman's Missionary societies for study, prayer and systematic giving. Beginning with fourteen societies, the committee has persisted in its efforts until there are nearly 500 societies in the churches of our State. These societies gave last year the splendid sum of $9,710 84 to State, Home and Foreign Missions, or more than one fourth of the whole amount reported by our churches for these objects. This has been done not by the large gifts of a few but the systematic gifts of the many. Indeed the lesson of the great result from the regular giving of small sums, within the reach of all, is perhaps the most important teaching of these organizations.

But giving is but a part of these Woman's Societies, Bible and Mission study being given the most important place. Besides the regular lines of work a vastly important feature was added two years ago in the branch known as the Volunteer Teachers Corps. Fifty teachers have this year given two months of service to teaching at places where their presence was requested by pastor and people. The highest praise of these young women and their work comes from all sources and already requests for larger numbers for next year are being made.

While the societies of this Association are engaged in all branches of mission work, they are particularly interested in the support of Miss Lottie Price of Shanghai, China. Besides this they are asked to give special aid in furnishing the girls' home at Mars Hill. Last year the societies of this Association reported $671 85 to the three mission objects before them. It is hoped that this year they will increase this amount by one-fourth. Could all the women of our churches be induced to join in this effort, not only this but a

much larger sum would be given while the pastor would find valuable assistance in every line of church work. Miss E. A. Draughn of Asheville, the Vice President of the Woman's Central Committee for Buncombe County, has especial charge of this work, and will be most happy to correspond with any one with reference to it.

M. B. Spivey.
G. W. Ballard.
J. G. Rymer.

The report was adopted without discussion.

On motion the Moderator appointed W. T. Bradley and A. E. Brown delegates to the State Baptist Convention, and Jason Ashworth delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.

The following brethren were appointed chairmen of the committees to report at the next session of this body.

Temperance, W. P. Whittington; Education J. H. Tucker; Orphanage, J. M. Stoner; Periodicals, J. H. Woodward; State of the churches, W. T. Bradley State Missions, A. E. Brown. Home Missions, L. B. McBrayer; Foreign Missions, S. J. Ashworth; B. Y. P. U., E. L. Clarke; Woman's Work, E. P. Stradley; Sunday Schools.

J. M. Storer offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED. That we express our heartfelt thanks to the Cane Creek Church and community for their kind hospitality, shown in entertaining this Association during its session.

After a few closing remarks by the Moderator, the Association on motion adjourned with benediction by A. I. Justice.

T. L. Brown, Clerk. J. P. Morgan, Moderator.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Constituted	Sabbath of Meeting	Baptisms	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by letter	Excluded	Dead	Present Membership: Males	Females	Total	Ordained Ministers
Antioch	D H Lovell	Democrat	1883	3	24	7		4		4	80	106	186	1
Avery's Creek	Jesse Ingram	Avery's Creek	1828	4	8	1			1	1	22	39	61	
Beaverdam	E P Stradley	Asheville	1885	2&4				2		2	25	24	49	1
Bent Creek	M A Castle	Demia	1900	1	11	4		2			17	24	41	
Berea	J A Cordell	Riceville	1853				1	8		1	25	33	58	1
Bethel	L C Plemmons	Emma	1855	4					12		25	50	75	
Big Ivy		Barnardsville	1823	2	1	1		1	2	4	65	104	169	1
Black Mountain	R W Burlison		1884	4	1			4		2	44	57	101	
Cane Creek	R A Morgan	Fairview	1890	4	13		1	9	2	2	59	106	165	
Fern Hill, Biltmore		Biltmore												
First Church, Asheville	E P Stradley	Asheville	1879	each	52	45	6	16	6	5			664	3
Flat Creek	H G McLain	Jupiter	1894	1&3	7	3		4		1	78	98	176	
Hominy	R H Hutchison	Candler	1812	1	7	6		1		4	5	74	129	2
Ivy Hill	S R Morgan	Ivy		2	10	5		4	1	2	27	33	60	
Liberty	R G Young	Hominy	1895	2	1	1					20	34	54	
Macedonia	H Buckner	Owenby		2	30	3		2			39	72	111	
Morgan Hill	W J Goldsmith	Morgan Hill	1866	4	17	5			2	2	69	81	150	2
Mountain View	J L Burnett	Black Mountain		2&4	13	2	4		2	2			104	
Mt Carmel	D E Ramsey	Juno	1885	1		4		3	1		45	58	103	1
Mt Olivet	T D Scarborough	Asheville	1893	1	4						14	19	33	
Pleasant Grove	Eli Garren	Fairview	1891	2	1	3	2	2	3	1	26	40	66	
Pleasant Hill	J H Taylor	Alexander	1879	1	22	6	1	7	1	2	50	62	112	
Spring Mountain	S W Guffey	Fairview	1889	3	10	1	1	4	3		26	35	61	1
Swannanoa	L B Buchanan	Swannanoa	1901			3					3	5	8	
Vernon Hill, Inanda	E J Rhodes	Inanda	1882	each	14	3		6	1		42	36	48	1
West End, Asheville	A E Harper	Asheville	1893	each	6	32		20	15	3	90	164	254	2

The following Churches were not represented: Brown's Chapel, Burnsville Hill, Chestnut Grove, Emily's Grove French Broad Ave., Asheville, Gashe's Creek, Haw Creek, New Salem, Palestine, Paint Fork, Trinity, Weaverville, White Rock.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Average Attend'nce	Professions	For Sup't of Schools	Orphanage	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Poor	Church Building	Incidental Expenses	Other Objects	Class Collection
Antioch	J H Woodard, Democrat	6	80	37		$ 6 00	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Beaverdam	W E Masters, Grace	7	65	40		5 17	10 22			22 84					
Bent Creek	J F Cagle, Demia	5	102	64		7 01	6 00								
Berea	J A Cordell Riceville	4	50	35		5 00	3 00			1 00					
Bethel	L C Plemmons, Emma	6	30	25		3 00									
Big Ivy	R P Sigmond, Barnardsville	5	72	55		8 00									
Cane Creek	S F Moore, Fairview	7	110	50		12 50							10 00		25 00
First Ch., Asheville	J H Tucker, Asheville	26	475	287		119 55	125 73	47.	80.	100 00	2 00	670 00	86 70		
Hominy	O F Thomson, Candler	5	65	41		8 79							17 99		
Ivy Hill	W E Blankenship, Ivy	6	50	25	6	1 00									
Macedonia	Mark Sluder, Owenby	7	100												
Morgan Hill	F M Stockton, Morgan Hill	8	100												
Mountain View	E Crayall, Swannanoa	8	54	40		6 00	1 00			2 13					
Mt. Carmel	L D Brockshire, Emma	6	80	30		6 36									
Mt. Olivet	R A Steward, Asheville	5	43	33	4	3 23									
Pleasant Grove	A H Pinkerton, Fairview	5	44	37		3 50									
Pleasant Hill	W L Coats, Alexander	6	70	35	13	5 75	2 00						1 50		
Spring Mountain	W V Wilson, Fairview	4	35	25		4 00									
Swannanoa	W H Wright, Swannanoa	5	62			3 00									
Vernon Hill	A L Graham, Inanda	6	82	40		6 75									
West End, Asheville	W A Haves, Asheville	13	260	138		29 40								255 70	285 10
North Asheville*	W C McConnell, Asheville		125	77											95 02
Academy Hill*	I M Campbell, Asheville		60	40											37 00
Chunn's Cove*	M W Hamrick, Asheville	6	85	60											83 00
West Asheville†	W A Haves, Asheville	5	55	38											
South Side‡	W C Stradley, Asheville	9	112	93		9 11									

*Mission School of the First Church. †Mission School of West End Church. ‡Mission School of First, French Broad Avenue, and West End churches.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Pastor's Salary	Incidental Expenses	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Building and Repairs	Support of Poor	Other Objects	Minutes
Antioch	W T Bradley	$ 75 00	$ 5 00	$ 6 00	$	$ *14 84	$ *3 28	$ 24 00	$	$ 75	$
Avery's Creek	A I Justice	40 00		6 29	2 25	2 25	2 25				50
Beaverdam	W F Staley	150 00	5 75	*23 80	*15 29	*8 80	8 00			13 10	1 10
Bent Creek	W P Southern	9 6		3 00		5 00					1 05
Berea				5 00		6 00					50
Bethel	M Shuler	40 00							4 50		1 15
Big Ivy	W A Robertson	60 00					5 00		30 00	18 00	70
Black Mountain	W A Robertson	25 00		2 50					5 00		1 00
Cane Creek	W F Bradley	100 00	25 00	*10 02		*14 84	1 93	66 89	2 00	10 50	1 50
First Ch., Asheville	W M Vines	1800 00	*695 51	*174 00	*318 65	*299 85	*105 00	*21 867 31	81 96	*1 296 00	5 00
Flat Creek	C D Cole	50 00		80		5 00					1 13
Hominy	S C Owen	35 39	20 90	4 02		21 94		3 33		2 50	90
Ivy Hill	C D Cole	30 00	3 00	1 50					16 00		1 00
Liberty	M Shuler	25 00			3 91		1 66		11 25		50
Macedonia	W T Bradley	64 29		3 93	53	1 35	6 90				76
Morgan Hill		25 00	30			3 42	90				1 75
Mountain View	S I Keeler	60 00		1 00		3 00	1 00				50
Mt. Carmel	M Shuler	75 00	14 00	7 50		7 50	7 90				1 05
Mt. Olivet	J C Cordell	35 00		1 00			1 00	7 35			50
Pleasant Grove	W M Jamerson	25 00						5 00			25
Pleasant Hill	W T Bradley	40 00		2 70		2 60	50	33 82			1 15
Spring Mountain	S F Moore	25 00				2 00	2 00			1 00	60
Swannanoa	J W Justice	30 00								3 42	30
Vernon Hill	W P Southern	100 00				36 00	8 89	6 75			75
West End, Asheville	F L Brown	600 00	140 81	52 20	7 55	39 74	38 46	61 05		48 00	3 00

*Includes amounts raised by the various societies of the church.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

SECTION 1. This body shall be known as "The Buncombe County Baptist Association."

ARTICLE II.—CONSTITUENCY.

SECTION 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church, containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for; *provided*, however, that any church, whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled upon application, to representation in this Association.

SEC. 2. Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty five members in excess of twenty-five.

SEC. 3 The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body, without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE III.—OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually immediately after the reading of the church letters and enrollment of delegates The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

SEC. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's "Parliamentary Practice."

SEC. 3 It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.—Object.

Section 1. It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension and Temperance.

ARTICLE V.—Committees.

Section 1. At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State and Associational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday Schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the Association and such other committees as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of said committees to report, in writing, on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

ARTICLE VI.—Executive Board.

Section 1. This body shall at each annual meeting appoint an Excutive Board of three judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of the North Carolina Baptist Convention in supplying the destitute within our bounds.

ARTICLE VII.—Church Letters.

Section 1. The church letters shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their post offices; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members; time of prayer-meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday School and Bible Missions, and, if for

any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday School to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and postoffice of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other beneyolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.—By Laws.

Section 1. This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's "Manual of Parliamentary Practice."

ARTICLE IX.—Meeting.

Section 1. This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.—Printing.

Section 1 Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI —Correspondence.

Section 1. This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII.—Faith.

Section 1 This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by unispired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and the only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Sec 2. As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII.—Amendment.

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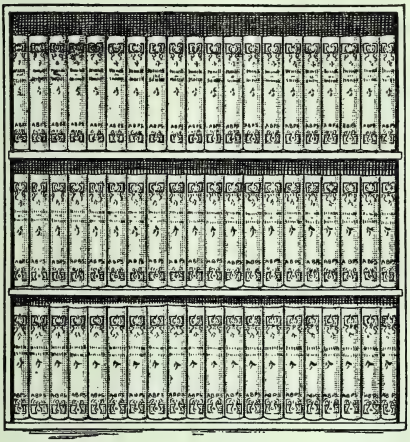

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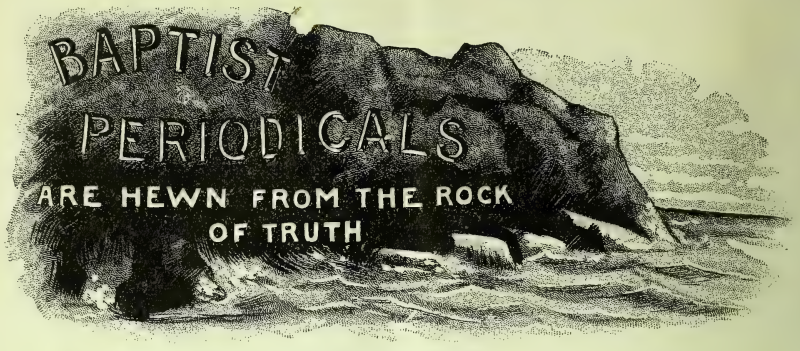

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PROCEEDINGS

The Buncombe County Baptist Association met Aug. 12, 1902, with West End Baptist Church, in its Twenty-first Annual Session, at 11 a.m. Devotional exercises were conducted by John P. Morgan.

The clerk being absent, H. A. Brown was appointed clerk, pro tem. Rev. A. E. Brown and J. H. Tucker reading clerks, and letters were read and delegates names enrolled from the following churches:

Vernon Hill—Rev. W. P. Southern, R. Ingle, A. W. Davis, E. C. Brown.

Cane Creek—A. H. Pinkerton, P. O. Freeman, James Grant, S. J. Ashworth, George Sales, Wm. Wright, H. Freeman.

Bent Creek—N. B. Creaseman, Thomas Stradley.

Spring Mountain—T. L. Guffey.

Berea—Rev. T. R. Brown, A. J. Rice, H. H. Byas, J. A. Cordell.

French Broad—Rev. W. A. Therrell.

West End—W. A. Haze, H. A. Brown, W. E. Logan, J. B. Grice, Rev. A. E. Brown, W. H. Martindale, Rev. W. P. Rutledge, Ulyses Ingle.

Beaverdam—J. T. Justice, M. W. Harrison, W. Haynes.

Bethel—H. C. Ingle, W. J. Shaw, J. P. Brookshire, W. L. Lunsford.

Ivy Hill—M. S. Profit.

Pleasant Hill—Rev. W. T. Bradley, J. D. Taylor, Jas. Allen, J. P. Corn, S. B. Moore.

Macedonia—H. Buckner, W. H. Aston, H. B. Mills, F. P. Sluder.

Avery's Creek—J. L. Wolf, W. C. Johnson, F. B. Johnson.

Hominy—L. S. Clark.

Liberty—J. W. Green, J. R. Sawyer, W. W. Green.

New Salem—J. M. Green, J. E. Hair, Garden Shroat, M. L. Lance.

First Church—W. C. Stradley, J. M. Stoner, J. H. Tucker, C. C. Matthews, S. W. Mitchell, W. C. McConnell, Dr. W. P. Whittington, Will Creasman, P. R. Young, T. J. Rickman, M. C. Noland, John Neeley, Spurgeon Lane, Paul Tucker.

Antioch—G. D. Carter, J. J. Greenwood, T. C. Mor-

gan, D. H. Loven, J. H. Woodward, J. H. Brown, T. J. Garrison.

Big Ivy—S. H. Williams, Adolphus Burlisson, Jud. Carter, J. H. Ingle, Kelce Buckner, A. I. Ingle, France Andrews, Rev. O. L. Stringfield, W. A. Robberson.

Flat Creek—A. Lockheart, L. Almond, W. B. Bruce, S. F. Wild, H. G. McLean.

Morgan Hill—Rev. M. S. Proffitt, S. J. Morgan, John P. Morgan, D. M. Gentry, J. N. Morgan.

Mt. Carmel—J. M. Rymer, Jim Miller, T. M. Rymer, T. J. Brookshire, T. P. Brookshire, T. R. Knight, D. E. Ramsey.

Mt. Olivet—R. A. Stewart, Albert Stewart, Jones Hownquten.

The election of officers was then held, and John P. Morgan was re-elected Moderator, and H. A. Brown, Clerk; J. M. Stoner, Treasurer; Dr. L. B. McBrayer, Historian.

The moderator announced the body ready for business.

The following visitors were recognized: Rev. J. L. White, former pastor of First church; Rev. E. R. Brower, assistant secretary of Foreign Missions Board; Brother L. Johnson, corresponding secretary Baptist State Convention; Rev. A. B. Thomas, Messenger Tuckasiegee Association, also representative of Biblical Recorder; Rev. Vann, of the Female University of North Carolina; and Rev. John Ammons.

By motion a committee on Order of Buriness was appointed by the chair: committee, J. H. Tucker, W. T. Bradley, J. W. Woodward, and they submitted the following report: Tuesday, 11 a.m. organization; 12 m. adjournment; 2 p.m. miscellaneous; 2:30 p.m. foreign missions; 3:30 p.m. periodicals.

Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. religious exercises; 9:45 miscellaneous; 10 State missions; 11 Education; 12 m. adjournment; 1:30 p.m. orphanage; 2:30 Sunday-schools; 3:30 home missions; 4 B. Y. P. U.; 8:30 Temperance.

Thursday, 9:30 a.m. religious exercise; 9:45 miscellaneous; 10 state of the churches; 11 woman's work.

By motion adjourned until 2 p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association re-assembled at 2 p.m. Letters were presented and delegates names enrolled from

Palestine—R. A. Cogburn, Adda Presley.

Biltmore—Dr. A. S. Whitaker, Rev. W. F. Stayley, Pink Spain, J. A. Bradley.

Time for special order of business was then announced, and report on Foreign Missions was called for.

Report on Foreign Missons :

It was wisely said by our Assistant Corresponding Secretary, Brother Bowmer, that the problem of missions must be solved in the home land. If this be true, how then shall we show it? This is the momentus question of the day for all Baptists. The commandment of our blessed Lord is, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." *All the world—every creature!* What a vast promblem! Solve it? Yes, it must be done; but this means thousands of consecrated men and women, and millions of money. When are these to come? We answer, more prayer for more workers. Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers into his harvest. More faith in God for more workers. More love for the work and the workers.

Respectfully Submitted, W. P. SOUTHERN.

Brother E. E. Bromer spoke in a very impressive and instructive way on the subject, its needs, etc.; and at the close of his remarks, the following resolution was offered by Rev. Therrell:

Resolved, that this Association believes that it is the duty of every saved person to try earnestly to save others, and that a contribution, however small, be solicited by every pastor from every member for missions next year.

At this point Rev. M. A. Jenkins of Doublin, Ga., Rev. Durham of Lumberton, and Rev. Woodall of Mars Hill, were recognized.

Then a motion was made by Rev. A. E. Brown, that each church in the Association make pledges for foreign missions, and the following churches responded:

Antioch	$10	Avery's Creek	$10
Beaverdam	25	Bent Creek	10
Berea	5	Bethel	5
Big Ivy	10	Cane Creek	10
Vernon Hill	84	First Church	700
Hominy	5	Flat Creek	5
Liberty	3	Macedonia	3
Morgan Hill	5	Mt. Carmel	10
Mt. Olivet	2	Pleasant Hill	5
West End	51	New Salem	5
Weaverville	2.50	French Broad	10
Chestnut Grove	5	Oak Grove	1

The report was then adopted.

Then a report of the various committees was read by Rev. E. A. Brown:

Temperance—Dr. W. P. Whittington, Thomas Stradley, W. A. Robbeson, Levi Clark.

Education—J. H. Tucker, W. A. Haynes, W. S. Profit, I. B. Moore.

State of the Churches—W. T. Bradley, W. Haynes, J. H. Tucker, Jasper Cordell, N. B. Creaseman, Thomas Brookshire.

Foreign Missions—S. J. Ashworth, W. P. Southern, W. B. Rutledge, R. A. Stewart.

State Missions—A. E. Brown, H. B. Miller, W. C. Stradley, J. M. Green.

Woman's Work—E. E. Stradley, O. L. Stringfield, T. M. Rymer, W. A. Therell.

B. Y. B. U.—W. H. Blanchard, W. C. McConnell, J. N. Morgan, Ector Ramsey.

Time, Place, and Preaching Introductory Sermon—J. L. Justice, T. M. Rymer, J. N. Morgan, T. D. Carter, J. G. Ryner, A. L. Almond.

Home Mission—Dr. L. B. McBrayer, Robert Ingle, Pink Spain, Jud Greenwood.

Orphanage—J. M. Stoner, N. B. Creaseman, J. D. Taylor, T. L. Guffey.

Sunday-schools—T. J. Rickman, J. B. Grice, Jud Rice, James Allen.

Periodicals—J. H. Woodard, W. F. Staley, P. R. Young.

This report was adopted.

Then the report on Periodicals was read by J. H. Woodard, as follows:

Report on Periodicals:

We are living in a live age; continual advancement is laid on us as a denomination; how can we make this improvement without understanding our condition? It is therefore imperative that we have the religious press to communicate with each other. We are becoming more fully awake to the powerful influence of the literature that our people read, and taking a more solemn thought to the books and papers that our young people read, giving them higher aspirations of life and home influence.

We, as your committee, recommend for the home the Biblical Recorder, Foreign Missionary Journal, Skyland Baptist, Charity and Children; together with good books for daily reading, as good, safe grounds for the same.

J. H. WOODARD, Chairman.

After the report was discussed by Brother Thomas, of the Biblical Recorder; Johnston, of Charity and Children; Dr. L. B. McBrayer and others, the report was adopted.

At this point the church letter from Weaverville was read and Rev. A. E. Brown, J. H. Tucker, M. H. Profit were appointed as a committee to report on the same.

The Moderator then announced as committee on preaching the pastor and deacons of West End church.

After announcement of various appointments the body, by motion, adjourned until 9:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Tuesday night the introductory sermon was preached by Rev. W. F. Staley, from Rev. 28 chapter 25th verse.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, Aug. 13, 1902.

Devotional exercise, conducted by Rev. John Ammons reading the 97th Psalm. The convention was announced in order for business.

Called for letters from other churches.

Black Mountain came forward—delegates, John W. Hensley, R. M. McMahon, J. E. Williams.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The report of Home Missions was read as follows by Rev. A. E. Brown, in absnce of Dr. L. B. McBrayer:

Report on Home Missions:

The Home Mission Board had in its employ last year, six hundred and seventy-four missionaries; under their preaching there were eight thousand one hundred and fifty baptisms and nine thousand and fifty-one received by letter.

The Home Mission Board does work among the Indians and Negroes, and among the foreign population in all our large cities, and has charge of the work in Cuba, which latter is now in a very promising condition.

In addition to these special fields, the Home Board does mission work all over the South, wherever it is needed, and as the means at their command will admit. As an example of this work, I might mention, that the missionaries of the Home Board have organized 3,500 of the 18,000 Baptist churches of the South, and more than 250,000 have been baptized through the agency of Home Missions.

Ninety of the one hundred principle cities between Baltimore, Md., and El Paso. Texas, have at one time or another, been helped by the Home Mission Board: one of these ninety cities is Asheville, and the church to receive the aid was the First Baptist church. You will readily see how wisely this help has been given, when I tell you that the First Church is to-day, paying $1600 annually to mis-

sions. Along this line just now, the Home Mission Board is trying to aid the Baptists of Galveston, Texas, and vicinity, to re-build their houses of worship that were destroyed by the flood of a year ago.

But the work that probably interests us most at this time, is the work being done by the Home Mission Board in the mountain sections of the South. This work, for the most part, is directed toward the establishment and maintenance of high schools, and the board is aiding materially the eight high schools in Western North Carolina.

I notice that last year the churches of North Carolina contributed to Home Missions $5,356, and the Home Board spent, in the prosecution of its Mission work in this State, $6,643.

According to minutes of last year only six of the thirty-nine churches of this Association reported any contribution to Home Missions. The total was $348.18, the First church paid $318.65, leaving $29.53 paid by the other five churches reporting.

We would recommend that pastors of this Association make special effort during the next associational year to enlighten their people on Mission work; for knowledge is power.

I quote the following report of the Home Mission Board to the Southern Baptist Convention at its session here last year:

"Some of our brethren have occasionaly hinted that the demands for such work as the Home Board does ought to deminish, and they no doubt would diminish were our Southland a declining country, but the growth of Southern industries is one of the marvels of modern times, and the consequent increase of population brings new situations and demands every year. When we stop the march of our empire westward, when we stop the growth of onr cities, when we hush the hum of the spindles, when we close up the mines, when railroads stop running, when factories stop building, when wealth ceases to accumulate, when the increase of population in the South ceases to amaze us at every census, then possibly, the work of the Home Mission Board may be diminished."

Respectfully,

L. B. McBrayer, Chairman,
Robert Ingle,
Pink Spain.

At this point Dr. Quick of Boston, Mass., was recognized.

After the discussion engaged in by Brother T. Neil Johnson and Rev. A. E. Brown, the following churches pledged for Home Missions:

Antioch	$ 5 00	Avery's Creek	$ 5 00
Beaverdam	15 00	Bent Creek	2 00
Berea	3 00	Big Ivy	5 00
Black Mountain	2 50	Cane Creek	10 00
Fern Hill	20 00	Vernon Hill	16 00
First Church	350 00	Flat Creek	5 00
Hominy	5 00	Morgan Hill	5 00
Mt. Carmel	5 00	Mt. Olivet	2 00
PleasantHill	3 00	Swannanoa	2 00
West End	50 00	New Salem	5 00
Weaverville	2 50	French Broad	10 00
Brown's Chapel	1 00	Chestnut Grove	5 00

The report was then adopted.

J. H. Tucker then read the report as follows on Education:

Report on Education :

Eternity alone will reveal the wonderful connection between the school house and our churches.

Education under Baptist influence, in a godly atmosphere, has had much to do with the progress we have made in our denominational life. When it is said we are a great people, a people of great influence in our State and Nation, we are to know that we have attained unto this through the hard struggles of our fathers to establish great schools, and by our faithfulness in patronizing them.

If we could know what our schools are worth to our churches, ask who are the men and women who are now rendering valuable service as preachers, teachers, leaders in our Sunday-school and prayer meeting work? Where were they educated? "Wisdom is justified of her children," said Jesus. Who are the leaders in worldly amusements? Where were they educated? Is it not to our highest interest to see to it that our sons and daughters shall be fitted for the greatest possible service in our churches? How can we afford to run risks in a matter of so great importance?

We have our own Wake Forest College, which offers advantages to our young men inferior to none in the South, and at the lowest possible cost. For our young women we have Baptist Female University, which has already attained a worthy place among the high grade schools of the South.

This school has come to us through the hard struggles of our people; nor is yet out of its struggles. A great debt

is upon it which greatly hinders its work. Your committee is pleased to note that the First Church of Asheville pledged at the last session of the Baptist State Convention $1000 to aid in the payment of this debt, and Bro. Brown kindly pledged the other churches of this Association another thousand dollars. Let us put forth great efforts to have every church represented in so great a work.

If we will now come to the help of this youngest child of the Convention, and let her step forth in all her strength the churches and homes from one side of this land to the other will feel her influence.

Under no circumstances can we afford to turn our backs on our High Schools—Mars Hill College, Clyde, Fruitland, and the others of our schools which have a just claim on our patronage and support.

The public schools are now the pride of Buncombe county. Your committee would encourage our people to make the greatest possible use of them, uging the employment of christian men and women as teachers, and the largest possible attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. TUCKER, Chairman.

The body was then addressed by Rev. Vann, who made an earnest appeal for education, especially for the Female University of North Carolina. At the close of Bro. Vann's speech the following churches responded to the call for Pledges for Education:

Antioch	$10 00	Avery's Creek	$ 5 00
Beaverdam	25 00	Berea	2 00
Big Ivy	25 00	Black Mountain	2 50
Cane Creek	5 00	Vernon Hill	5 00
First Church	1000 00	Flat Creek	25 00
Hominy	25 00	Macedonia	2 00
Morgan Hill (indidually)		Mt. Carmel	5 00
John P. Morgan	5 00	West End	100 00
J. N. Morgan	10 00	New Salem	2 00
Weaverville	2 50	French Broad	5 00

The report was adopted.

Bro. Todd of Wawchalla, Fla., was recognized.

The body then adjourned until 2:30 p.m.

When the convention re-assembled in afternoon session the body was led in prayer by Bro. Cordell.

The report on the Orphanage was then called and read by Bro. John M. Stoner:

Report on Orphanage Work :

The prospects were never brighter, the needs never greater, the present results never more encouraging at our Orphanage than now. The present number of children in the Orphanage 213. These are the children of our deceased brethren, whose heads and hearts are being trained for the future.

The crop prospects are excellent—the Mills' machine shop is in operation and it is hoped will be self-sustaining this year.

Charity and Children is doing a great work, and paying a dividend of one thousand dollars a year into the institution.

It costs $4.75 a month per capita to support an orphan and this covers salaries and all running expenses of the institution. The present available income from bequests will not run the orphanage one week; so the needs this year will be greater than in the past.

Bro. J. A. Durham of Charlotte, N. C., is now building a new dormitory in memory of his mother, which will add forty boys to the number, and hundreds are begging for admission. So you see if the work must go on we must stand by it; and hope our Sunday-schools, which cannot do more, will at least devote at least one Sunday's collection each month to the Orphanage; and that our churches will enlarge their contributions.

We believe we ought to be training for God and humanity 1000 orphans now, instead of 213. They are all around us, growing up in ignorance and lawlessness; and when our churches rally to the support of this noble institution, as we should, we will see 1000 homeless children in the Orphanage, and our churches flourishing as never before. Respectfully, your Committee,

J. M. Stoner,
N. B. Creasman,
J. D. Taylor,
T. F. Guffy.

Remarks were made on the report by Brother Archey Johnson and others. The body at this time took up a collection for the Orphanage amounting to $7.15; and the following amounts were pledged by the churches:

Antioch	$ 5 00	Beaverdam	$10 00
Bent Creek	5 00	Berea	5 00
Big Ivy	10 00	Avery's Creek	5 00
Fern Hill	20 06	Oak Grove	2 50
Vernon Hill	2 50	First Church	250 00
Macedonia	3 00	Morgan Hill	3 00
Mt. Carmel	5 00	Mt. Olivet	2 00
Pleasant Hill	2 00	Vernon Hill	10 00
West End	40 00	Valley Sp'g school h.	2 00
Smith's school house.	2 00		

The report was then adopted.

At this point a letter was read from Jupiter, and Rev. W. H. Hooker, F. W. Roberts and Eddie Roberts enrolled as delegates.

The following report on Sunday-schools was then read by Brother Rickman:

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools:

The hope of the Nation, State, or community, is the rightful training of its youth.

The history of any people's downfall may, in all cases, be primarily traced to a neglect of moral and religious training.

Your committee ventures the assertion, that the church within the bounds of the Buncombe County Association, which does not maintain a live Sunday-School, all the year, is a church which not only does not, but truly *cannot* accomplish active work for the Master's cause.

It is gratifying to hear from the reports of most of the churches that active Sunday-schools are kept up and maintained. Upon the recommendation heretofore made by this Association, as your committee learns, the county has been divided into several districts for the purpose of organization. A number of these districts have very effective organizations and much enthusiasm has been put into the cause by Rally-meetings. It is to be hoped that every district in the county and bounds of the Association will organize for effective work within the next year.

Brethren of the Buncombe County Association, in the language of the great Spurgeon, "Be it known, that the doctrine of Christ is the doctrine of the people," therefore let us arise and through the Sunday-schools (as well as the pulpit,) teach it to the coming generations.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. J. RICKMAN,
J. B. GRICE,
JUD RICE.

The report was discussed by Brethren Rickman and Cordell, and on motion adopted.

Then by motion, adjourned until 8:30 p.m.

Just at the close of the afternoon session a reception was given to Miss Lottie Price, a returned missionary from Shanghai, China, and was much enjoyed by those present.

Wednesday, while the brethren were gathered in the auditorium of the church discussing the various reports, etc., the ladies were assembled in the Sunday-school room reading reports, discussing plans, and praying the Lord to direct them in helping to advance the Master's cause and build up his kingdom; and they offered the following

Report on Woman's Work:

Your committee on Woman's Work are glad to report continued activity along many practical lines for extending the Master's kingdom:

1st. In Consecration—Every meeting of the individual society is a means of deeper piety, broader charity, and heartfelt gratitude to him who loved us. Special study, reading and prayer for different objects and fields tend to give a more hearty response to "Come over into Macedonia and help us."

2nd. In Education—With them to know is to appreciate and to do; therefore, 471,805 letters, leaflets, cards, etc., have been sent out describing the wants of the missionary field. It is hard to calculate the good resulting from this information. Indeed it is the only way permanent work can be done and eternity alone will be able to tell the gracious results.

3rd. The Voluntary Movement—Many successful schools have been taught where pastors and people have requested it. We deem this a very practical and helpful phaze of the work.

4th. Increased Liberality—The cash increase last year was $1,800 from the societies of the Southern Convention. Total cash raised $54,776.52, and values in kind amounting to $33,353.55. Making a great total of values of $88,130.07.

5th. A Lesson for All—

Let us then be up and doing,
With a heart for any fate;
Still achieving—still pursuing—
Learn to labor and to wait.

Can't we have a Woman's Missionary Society in every church in this Association? Pastors encourage and assist them. It will help you in your work. Then let them from

time to time render helpful programs on the various divisions of work they have been pursuing. Have all the members of the churches present other little facilities for a good social time. All for his glory, who hath said: "Lo I am with you always."

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN P. STRADLEY.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Body called to order by Moderator. Prayer by Rev. Stringfield. Rev. J. D. Chapman of Anderson, S. C., was invited to a seat with us.

The report on Temperance was then read as follows by Dr. Whittington:

Report on Temperance:

While we believe the temperance idea is growing and that Christians are becoming more and more aroused on the subject, yet we are far from our duty. If intemperance is an evil we should avoid everything that tends to the development of that evil.

We now have fifteen lisenced bar-rooms and government distillery in the city of Asheville. There are enough people belonging to the churches of the city to blot out this evil in a very short time, if they would act in concert.

There never was a drunkard who was not a moderate drinker; if, therefore, we will avoid having moderate drinkers, we will cetainly not have drunkards.

We heartily approve the action of our members of the last Legislature in passing an act prohibiting the manufacture of intoxicating liquors outside of the incorporated towns. If we would do away with the distillery and bar-rooms in the city of Asheville, it would be a long step in the direction of temperance.

We feel that our churches and Sunday-schools fall short of doing their duty in the matter of teaching and developing a sentiment against the use of intoxicating liquors. It is in the individual mind and heart that the education must begin, and when every individual is trnly converted to the realization of the evil of the drink habit, it will not be difficult to suppress the traffic, and very greatly reduce the evils resulting therefrom.

Let us, as a denomination, again declare ourselves as uncompromisingly opposed to the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. Respectfully,

W. P. WHITTINTON.

Brother Oats, Editor of the North Carolina Baptist, O. L. Stringfield, J. H. Tucker, and others, spoke on the report. At the conclusion of the discussion the following resolution was offered by Rev. W. Rutledge:

Resolved, That we, the Buncombe County Baptist Association, endorse the Anti-Saloon Congress.

Resolution and original report were then, by motion, adopted.

By motion of J. H. Tucker, Home Missions was made special order for 9:30 a.m.

Then by motion adjourned.

Thursday Morning.

Devotional exercises, conducted by Bro. Roberson by reading part of 13th chapter of Hebrews.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved. Bro. John E. Ray was then introduced to the body.

The report on State Missions was read by Bro. J. H. Tucker:

Report on State Missions:

At the very basis of all our work lies State Missions. In this work we are strengthening the stakes at home in order that we may lengthen the cords that reach out to other departments of our work, and to other nations of the earth. Our educational institutions, our Orphanage, Ministerial relief, and Home and Foreign Missions, are all more or less dependent on our State Missions. State Missions form the base of supplies on which all the other objects of the Covention draw for support.

North Carolina, so far as the State Mission work is concerned, is divided into three fields, Eastern, Central and Western North Carolina. Each of these fields has conditions peculiar to itself.

Eastern North Carolina—In Eastern North Carolina there is great destitution. There are few Missionary Baptist churches and very few preachers. In several eastern counties there is but one Missionary Baptist preacher to the county, and he is largely supported by the Board. The Tar River Association stretches across ten counties, and is the greatest mission field in the State. Its territory extends from Henderson, a few miles east of Raleigh, to the eastern border of Beaufort county down by the sea. The Neuse Association has twenty-four churches of which only two are self-sustaining. The Atlantic adjoining the Neuse, has

twenty-two churches, of which twenty are Mission stations. Hyde, one of the most fertile counties in the east, has not a single Baptist preacher within its borders.

Central North Carolina—This section is in a transition state. It is passing from an agricultural to a manufacturing people. Along all the streams and lines of railroads cotton mill villages are springing up. A large number of the opperatives in these mills are Baptists. They are unable to build churches and employ pastors. They cannot have the truth as we believe it preached to them without the assistance of our Board.

Western North Carolina—In Western North Carolina the work is largely educational. The development of educational interest in the west is very gratifying. At great sacrifice our people have established and are maintaining Baptist schools. In order that these schools may be able to put expenses down to the lowest possible point the Home Board appropriates $3,000 to be applied by our State Board to the mountain schools.

Thus it will be seen that while each of these fields has its peculiar conditions, they are all exceedingly important. To meet the needs the Board must have the liberal support of all the Baptists in the State. Twenty-five thousand dollars must be raised this year for State Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

L. B. McBrayer,
Robert Ingle,
Pink Spain,
Jud Greenwood.

The report was spoken to by Brothers John E. Ray and Stringfield, and by motion adopted.

The following resolution was introduced by Rev. W. A. Therrell:

Resolved, That this Association believes that it is possible to very effectively reach the large number of men, women, youths and children, not in regular attendance at every church, for preaching, prayer, or study of the Bible; and, therefore, most respectfully urge upon every member of every church, their responsibilty, duty of personal hand to hand, and heart to heart exertion until death, to gather and to save the world.

The Report of the State of the Churches was then read by J. H. Tucker, as follows:

Report on State of the Churches:

Your Committee on the State of the Churches report: That some of churches are progressing; but most of the churches in our Association are at a low ebb. They are not making advancements along the line of Christian work as they should. Contributions to pastors, missions, orphanage, etc., are by far too small. They are not what they used to be. We notice that there has not been the increase in membership that their should have been. Some of our churches are without pastors and some of the pastors without churches.

Your committee is of the opinion that there is something wrong along these lines. Further, it appears, that some of our churches have departed from the Baptist faith and practice. These troubles will continue as long as the churches (that is some of the churches) do nothing for the Lord's cause, and open their doors to all kinds of doctrines.

Your committee would recommend, that when our churches call pastors, see to it that they are sound in Baptist faith and practice; and further, that our churches have no one ordained to the full ministry who has not proved himself to be sound in the Baptist faith.

W. T. Bradley,
J. C. Cordell,
W. Haynes.

The report was discussed at length by J. H. Tucker, W. A. Therrell, Dr. White and others, giving some very practical thoughts on the subject. Then, by motion, the report was adopted.

The report of the Historian was read by J. H. Tucker in the absence of Dr. L. B. McBrayer, the Historian:

Report of the Historian:

The last session of this Association was held with the church at Cane Creek, Fairview, Aug. 13, 14 and 15, and was well attended, notwithstanding the downpour of rain.

Among the visiting brethren were J. W. Bailey, editor of the Biblical Recorder; B. W. Spillman, field secretary of the S. S. Board of Southern Baptist Convention; O. L. Stringfield, educational secretary; Livingston Johnston, corresponding secretary State Convention; T. Niel Johnston, state S. S. Secretary; Arch Johnston, editor Charity and Children; J. L. Kesler, of the Baptist Female University; A. B. Thomas, from the Tuckaseigee Association, and J. C. Postell, of the Fairview M. E. Church.

The chairmen of the committees on the various objects

of the Association, had according to resolution, been appointed the year before, and for the most part had their reports ready. This gave us better reports and also saved considerable time.

Last year the number of churches in this Association was 38, Macedonia was received by letter from the Newfound Association, which mnde 39 churches entitled to representation in this body. Of this number 25 sent delegates; one, Berea, sent a letter, but no messengers, and 13 were not heard from at all. The number thirteen is certainly an unlucky number in this instance, being one-third of all the churches in the county.

One of the churches not represented last year was Weaverville, where the Association has aided largely in building a nice church house, worth $1500, and where the State Mission Board has been supplying preaching once a month for two years. This church has never been represented in the Association, if my memory serves me correctly. We notice that your Executive Committee did not ask the State Board to continue their appropriation at this point.

Rev. T. L. Brown resigned West End church after this report was written last year, and before the Association met and accepted work in Haywood county. The church was without a pastor for more than six months, and then was fortunate in securing the services of Rev. W. B. Rutledge, of Cloverport, Ky.

Rev. W. F. Staley resigned as assistant pastor of the First Baptist Church, and accepted the care of Biltmore Baptist church.

Rev. H. L. Dudley resigned the French Broad Avenue church on account of ill health, having lost his voice. This church has secured the services of Rev. W. A. Therrell, formerly of South Carolina, but who has been working among the churches of the north for the last several years. He is a very earnest and enthusiastic worker.

Rev. O. L. Stringfield, former Educational Secretary, has moved to Barnardsville, this county, and is thinking of establishing a school for girls, at or near that place.

One of the most notable occurrences within the confines of this Association during the past year, or in its history for that matter, was the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in the city of Asheville. This is one of the largest representative bodies in the United States, so large that it has to be run almost exclusively by machinery, and even then it is quite unwieldly. One thing worthy of remark is the high stand taken by the men from Western North Carolina. The speeches of Truett, McConnell and Brown,

marked them as the orators that were heard at this Convention.

Rev. W. M. Vines, pastor of the First Baptist Church, was appointed alternate to preach the annual sermon at Savannah next May. Rev. A. E. Brown continues the work of assistant corresponding secretary of State Mission Board, devoting most of his time to the interest of Education in the mountains. He is considered an expert on education among the "mountain whites." He made a trip North last winter in the interest of his educational work, which we learn was very successful from every standpoint.

It is to be regretted that Rev. W. M. Vines has found it necessary to take his vacation during the month of August last year and this, and thereby not being able to attend the sessions of this body; we miss him very much. But we are delighted to have Dr. George W. Quick, of Springfield, Mass., with us. Dr. Quick is filling the pulpit of the First Baptist Church during the absence of Bro. Vines.

In speaking of the sanctificationists in our report one year ago, we stated that while they had been producing "disaffection in some of the churches, we hear nothing of them now, and suppose they have gone to newer, if not greener fields." We now think that the new fields were not "greener," and they have returned to us. We are of the opinion that at least some of the churches not represented here, could attribute their apathy to the doctrines sown by these people. Respectfully,

L. B. McBRAYER.

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 12, 1902.

The report was adopted without comment.

The report of Executive Board was then called and read by Bro. J. H. Tucker :

Report of Executive Board :

To the Buncombe County Baptist Association :

Dear Brethren : We the undersigned, the Executive Board of this Association, having no money with which to accomplish anything, but seeing the need of the advancement of the Baptist cause, we do recommend as follows:

That this Association employ a County Secretary; one who can and will devote all of his time to the cause. And his duty shall be to vssit each and every church within the bounds of our Association, as often and as fast as he can make the rounds. He should be a spiritually minded person and one who is devoted to the Baptist cause. One who can effect better organization and put more life and enthu-

siasm in our churches and Sunday-schools, and more especially in the weaker and newly organized ones.

There is also a feeling among the city pastors to become better acquainted with the county pastors and their work. In order that this fraternity may become more mutual, more frequent association is needed.

County work is held in high esteem by the city pastors. Realizing that there are new rivals in the field, and that the opposition to the Baptist cause is increasing annually, let there be perfect unanimity of thought and purpose in this great work for the Master.

"Where there is union there is strength." Hence, if we as pastors and churches are isolated from each other, except at our annual Association, what special strength can we be to each other? There is a heartfelt need for more congenial fellowship. The only way to adjust this matter is by a systematic plan. We, therefore, recommend that one day in each month be set apart for this purpose, where the pastors can have a conference; where they can meet on one common level and consider their fields of labor.

We earnestly hope that every pastor will great this movement with favor. Let the place of meeting be at the First Baptist Church of Asheville, which always stands ready to welcome the servants of the Lord.

Respectfully subscribed,

M. W. HAMRICH,
J. T. JUSTICE,
L. B. MCBRAYER.

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 11, 1902.

The report was spoken to by Elders Stradley and J. A. Therrell. A motion was then made that the pastors of the city and country churches meet at the First Church on the first Monday in October, and that Bro. Staley act as committee to insist that all pastors and deacons attend the meeting.

Brother Justice then read the report as follows on time and place:

Report on Time and Place:

We, your committee on time, place and preacher, recommend: Time, Tuesday after the second Sunday in Aug.; Preacher, O. F. Stringfield; Place, Morgan Hill.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. JUSTICE, Chm'n,
Jas. N. Morgan, J. G. Ryner, L. Almon, T. M. Ryner, G. D. Carter, Committee.

The report was adopted.

The Treasurer's report was then read by John M. Stoner:

Treasurer's Report:

Collections as follows:

Orphanage	$11.05
State Missions	14.80
Home Missions	4.76
Foreign Missions	21.12
Minutes	31.76
Total	$83.49

J. M. STONER.

This report was adopted.

A resolution of thanks was then offered by Brother Johnson to West End and the other churches for hospitalities, etc.

The report of the B. Y. P. U. was then read by Bro. Blanchard:

Report on Baptist Young People's Union:

In reviewing the work of the B. Y. P. U. we find that opposition is a thing of the past. This work was at one time looked upon as a thing calculated to cause division in church work; but the good that has been accomplished through this agency has removed all objections and quieted all fears. While this is true a great many of the churches have failed to inaugurate this movement.

The great problem of the pastors for years past has been how to promote the spiritual interest of new converts, and develop them into Christian workers; but we find that where there is a live B. Y. P. U. have a greater number of efficient workers in every department of the church.

The great motive of this movement is three-fold:

1st. To actively employ our talents for Christ. The great law of nature is exercise for growth. When one fails in this particular the result is evident.

2nd. It is to increase Bible knowledge, which is the great need of our day. A familiarity with God's Word produces a rich experience, and fortifies one against all attacks of heresy. Paul's exhortation is: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

3rd. The work of the B. Y. P. U. most fittingly equips one for the effectual soul-winning, which is and should be the real aim of all young people's work.

The report was adopted without discussion.

It was then moved that the Clerk superintend the printing of minutes.

The Moderator then read the report of committees for the year as follows:

Sunday Schools	J. H. Tucker.
Periodicals	W. B. Grady.
Temperance	J. H. Stradley.
Orphanage	M. S. Profit.
Foreign Missions	W. T. Bradley.
Education	W. A. Therrell.
State Missions	A. E. Brown.
Home Missions	W. M. Vines.
State of Churches	W. F. Staley.
Woman's Work	W. C. Stradley.
B. Y. P. U.	G. D. Carter.

Delegates appointed to State Convention —E. E. Brown and J. H. Tucker.

Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention—W. M. Vines W. A. Therrell and J. M. Stoner.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

A meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held in the West End Church of Asheville, Wednesday, August 13th, 1902, at 10 o'clock a.m.

This meeting was opened with devotional exercises by Miss Daughan. Letters from the societies were read and a roll call of the churches. Quite a number of ladies were present, representing different churches in the Association. Among the visiting ladies were Miss Lottie Price, our returned missionary from China, and Mrs. J. L. White, of Macon, Ga.

The ladies representing Societies were: Miss Stradley, of Beaverdam; Miss Brookshire, of Bethel; Miss Ingle, of Big Ivy; Mrs. Miles, of Macedonia; Miss Brookshire, of Mt. Carmel; Mrs. Brown, of First Church, Asheville; Mrs. W. E. Logan, West End.

Mrs. Tucker spoke on the Home Department Work in Missionary Societies, telling us how these departments would help to gain the aid and co-operation of those unable to attend the meetings of the Association.

Miss Lottie Price then, in a very interesting way, gave an account of her work in China.

The meeting then closed with a prayer by Mrs. Tucker.

This report came in late, after the manuscript was made up.—CLERK.

Unfinished Business.

The committee appointed to investigate the application of Weaverville church, reported that the church had failed to send in their Articles of Faith with their church letter, and asked until next association to make final report.

After some remarks by Moderator, the Association by motion, adjourned.

J. P. MORGAN, Moderator.

H. A. Brown, *Clerk.*

P. S.—The Twenty-first session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was noted for the number of prominent visitors, and the marked spirituality that prevailed during the entire meeting. And it is to hoped the brethren have been stimulated to more active personal work this year. Let our motto be: Pray more, work more, and give more to the Master's cause.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches	Superintendents	Officers & Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. of Schools	Average Attendace	Volumes in Library	Quart'lies papers tkn	Months kept open	Profes'ons in school	For sup't of school	Orph'age	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Poor	Church Buildings	Inciden-tals
Macedonia	J. G. Rymer	9	8	1	65		65	12		$ 2 50	$ 7 00	$	$	$	$	$	
Antioch	E. B. Goldsmith	8	80	2	46		75	12									
Avery's Creek																	
Biltmore	Dr. A. S. Whittaker	8	63	1	63		100	12	1								
Brown's Chapel	C. H. Buckner	4	32	1	30		25	8									
Beaverdam	M. E. Masters	7	90	1	35		95	12	4	5 99		4 01		30 52			9 75
Bethel	L. C. Plemmons	7	60	1	40		24	12									
Black Mountain	J. M. Burlison	5	85	1			65	9		1 00							
Bent Creek	N. B. Creaseman	8	88	1	55		60	12			6 00						
Berea	J. A. Cordell	7	50	1	56		30	12		7 20	4 00			2 50			
Cane Creek	S. J. Ashworth	8	96	1	50		60	12	12	15 00							12 00
French Broad																	
First Church	J. H. Tucker	27	475	4	295	350	650	12		225 73	127 23	60 41		100 00	7 40	15 00	144 00
Ivy Hill	S. R. Morgan	4	35	1													
Mt. Carmel	T. M. Rymer	8	50	1	45		50	12			10 00						
Mt. Olivet	R. A. Stuart	4	37	1	28	16	22	12									
Morgan Hill	John Ball	6	74	1	68			12									
Liberty																	
New Salem																	
Oak Grove																	
Pleasant Hill	G. W. Roberson	5	60	1	30		60	12	1								
Palestine																	
Swannanoa	L. B. Buckner	3	65	1	38		40	12									
Vernon Hill	E. C. Brown	7	75	1	40		57	12		20 19	7 06		20 09				40 00
Weaverville																	
West End	J. B. Grice	15	276	2	121	105	482	12	3								181 01
Garrisus*	J. R. Brown	7	52	1	40			12									
Southside†	W. C. Stradley	7	100	1	62		100	12		59 50							
Chun's Cove†	John W. Crenshaw	6	110	1	45		60	12		141 03							
North Asheville	W. C. McConnell	8	110	1	60		100	12		72 80							
Total		169	2163	27	1247	471	1660		21	551 44	152 29	64 42	20 09	133 02	7 40	15 00	382 76

* Mission School of Antioch. † Mission Schools of First Church.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Churches	Pastors	Pastor's Salary	Incidental Expenses	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orph'nage	Building and Repairs	Support of Poor	Other Objects	Through W. M. S.	Through S. School	Minutes
ery's Creek	W. P. Southern	$ 36 00	$	$	$	$	$	$ 5 00	$	$	$	$	$ 50
ltioch	W. T. Bradley	75 00	10 00	3 57	5 16	6 00	7 00	20 00			17 26	14 00	
ltmore	W. F. Staley	416 41	5 00	33 29	10 65	12 98	32 90	157 00	16 51	48 70		81 41	1 00
averdam	W. F. Staley	150 00	27 60	5 57	13 65	7 80	9 59			31 10	21 51	60 44	1 00
thel	M. Sluder	22 50			5 80								
ack Mountain	W. A. Robertson	25 00		2 50				3 00	15 00	1 10		1 00	1 10
nt Creek	W. P. Southern	25 00			4 00	4 00	6 00		4 25				50
rea	J. A. Cordell		10 00	1 50						4 60	7 50	13 70	1 00
own's Chapel	T. K. Brown	50 00	15 00					6 00				3 00	1 00
ne Creek	W. T. Bradley	100 00	12 00	11 50		1 95	3 48		10 00	25 00		15 00	1 25
rst Church	W. M. Vines	1933 00	1785 47	231 80	115 82	173 64	123 25		200 07	684 41	900 34	942 36	5 00
ench Broad	W. A. Therrell												
y Hill	S. M. Proffit	40 00			2 00			10 00	10 00			5 00	85
perty	M. M. Sluder	25 00				2 00						12 00	85
rgan Hill	S. M. Proffit	50 00		5 00				100 00					2 00
. Carmel	M. Sluder	75 00	8 00			11 64				10 00			60
. Olivet	J. C. Cordell	25 00		1 00			1 00	25 00				4 77	
w Salem	H. P. Rich				1 95								1 05
k Grove	W. H. Hooker				2 00								1 50
lestine	F. M. Presley												20
easant Hill	W. T. Bradley	40 00		3 00		2 00	2 75	3 00				4 06	1 30
annanoa				2 50									50
rnon Hill	W. P. Southern	100 00				60						87 34	
eaverville	W. H. Woodall	11 00	10 00		2 50	2 50							
est End	W. B. Rutledge	329 05	119 46		10 00	10 01	27 66	17 90				181 01	1 00
cedonia	W. T. Bradley	49 30		2 00	2 51	5 50	4 76				4 00		70
	Totals	$2567 26	$2094 53	$ 301 89	$ 173 34	$ 237 62	$ 218 24	$1247 90	$ 255 83	$ 804 91	$1347 26	$1420 29	$22 90

CHURCH STATISTICS.

Churches	Clerks	Postoffices	Constit'ed	Sabbath meetings	Baptisms	Received by letter	Restored	Dismissed by letter	Excluded	Dead	Males	Females	Totals	Ordained ministers
Antioch	D. H. Loven	Morgan Hill	1883	3	1	10		12	2	2	73	115	188	2
Avery's Creek	Jessie Ingram	Avery's Creek	1828	3						1	20	37	57	
Biltmore	Chas R. Whitaker	Biltmore	1885	1–3	1	9	4	1		1	15	35	50	2
Beaverdam	Edw'd P. Stradley	R F D 110 Ashev	1885	2–4	7	4	1	5	5		22	30	52	1
Bethel	L. C. Plemmonds	Emma	1855	4		4		1		1	28	48	76	
Black Mountain	B. W. Burlison	Rockview	1884	4	3		1		4	2			101	
Bent Creek	Hardy Lance	Inanda	1900	1		3	1	3	1		20	28	48	
Berea	J. A. Cordell	Riceville	1853					1			25	32	57	
Brown's Chapel	W. T. Bradley, Jr.	Beech		1		1					33	37	70	
Cane Creek	R. A. Morgan	Fairview		4	23		5	9	2	1	67	114	181	
First Church	E.B .Stradley	Asheville	1829	every	32	38	2	36	5	8			733	3
French Broad														
Ivy Hill	S. R. Morgan	Cletus			1	2		4			25	35	60	
Liberty	R. G. Young	Hominy	1895	2		1				1	19	32	51	
Morgan Hill	D. N. Gentry	Morgan Hill	1866	4		1	1	42	3		45	57	103	1
Mount Carmel	D. E. Ramsey	Juno	1885	1–3				2	2		44	55	99	1
Mount Olivet	Tho'sScarborough	Haw Creek	1893								16	18	34	
New Salem	M. L. Lance	Skyland		2			1	1	2		27	36	63	
Oak Grove	L. W. Roberts					2		1			13	28	41	
Palestine			1879					4			6	10	16	1
Pleasant Hill	J. D. Taylor	Alexander	1901		3	3	1	4	15		43	51	94	
Swannanoa			1882	1							4	4	8	
Vernon Hill	A. D. Davis	Inanda			8	1		4	3	1	12	44	56	
Weaverville	Dr. Z.V. Rorison		1893		2	12		6					16	
West End	Mrs. A. E. Harper	Asheville		every	10	15		36	5	3	79	154	233	2
Macedonia	L. D. Ratcliff	Juno		2		2		3	2		40	74	114	
Hominy														
Flat Creek														
Big Ivy														
Totals					91	108	17	175	51	21	676	1074	2600	13

The following churches were represented and letters failed to reach the Clerk, or were lost: Hominy, Big Ivy, Flat Creek, Jupiter, Chestnut Grove, Spring Mountain. The following churches were not represented; Burnsville Hill, Emily's Grove, Gash's Creek, Haw Creek, Paint Fork and Trinity.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

SECTION 1.—This body shall be known as "The Buncombe County Baptist Association."

ARTCLE II.—CONSTITUENCY.

SECTION 1.—This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the church, containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for; *provided*, however, that any church, whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled upon application, to representation in this Association.

SEC. 2.—Each church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

SEC. 3.—The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body, without being excused by the Aesociation, until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1.—The officers of this body shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually immediately after the reading of the church letters and the enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

SEC. 2.—The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mell's "Parliamentary Practice."

SEC. 3.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association and pay them out upon the order of the same.

SEC. 4.—It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.—OBJECT.

SECTION 1.—It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, the cause of Home

Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension, and Temperance.

ARTICLE V.—COMMITTEES.

SECTION 1.—At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees: On Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State and Associational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday Schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

SEC. 2.—It shall be the duty of said committees to report, in writing, on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

ARTICLE VI.—EXECUTIVE BOARD.

SECTION 1.—This body shall at each annual meeting appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of the North Carolina Baptist Convention in supplying the destitute within our bounds.

ARTICLE VII.—CHURCH LETTERS.

SECTION 1.—The Church Letters shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of the church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their postoffices; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and dead during the year; number and sex of members; time of prayer meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday School and Bible Missions, and, if for any other object, to be noted. Report of Sunday School to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kind of papers used in the school; name and postoffice of Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.—BY LAWS.

SECTION 1.—This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's "Manual of Parliamentary Practice."

ARTICLE IX.—Meeting.

Section 1.—This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.—Printing.

Section 1.—Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI.—Correspondence.

Section 1.—This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII.—Faith.

Section 1.—This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform and the only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for the information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Sec. 2.—As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII.—Amendment.

Section 1.—This Constitution may be amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

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Moderator, John P. Morgan.....Asheville, N. C.
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Historian, Dr. L. B. McBrayer.....Asheville, N. C.

Ordained Ministers.

J. W. Anderson.....Asheville, N. C.
W. T. Bradley.....Morgan Hill, "
A. E. Brown.....Asheville, "
T. K. Brown.....Black Mountain, "
J. C. Cordell.....Black Mountain, "
H. L. Dudley.....Asheville, "
W. Haynes.....Asheville, "
L. Y. Israel.....Dunsmore, "
W. M. Jamison.....Fairview, "
S. L. Moore.....Fairview, "
E. J. Morgan.....Hominy, "
S. J. Morgan.....Morgan Hill, "
S. C. Owen.....Candler, "
W. A. Therrell.....Asheville, "
James Plemmons.....Glady, "
M. S. Profitt.....Democrat, "
W. B. Rutledge.....Asheville, "
W. A. Robertson.....Barnardsville, "
W. P. Southern.....Inanda, "
O. L. Stringfield.....Barnardsville, "
M. Sluder.....Juno, "
W. M. Vines.....Asheville, "
S. I. Keeler.....Montreat, "
Dr. A. S. Whittaker.....Biltmore, "
W. Staley.....Asheville, "
P. R. Young.....Asheville, "

PROCEEDINGS.

Buncombe County Baptist Association met in its twenty-second annual session with Morgan Hill Baptist Church, beginning August 11, 1903.

Met at 11 o'clock, a. m., and spent half an hour in devotional exercises led by Rev. O. L. Stringfield.

At 11:30 a. m., Bro. J. P. Morgan took the chair and called the Association to order. J. H. Tucker and F. M. Burnett were appointed reading clerks. The Clerk being absent, J. J. Ammons was elected Clerk pro tem. Letters were read from the following churches and delegates' names enrolled:

Asheville, First Church—Rev. W. M. Vines, W. C. Stradley, J. H. Tucker, J. M. Stoner, E. B. Stradley.

Antioch—T. C. Morgan, J. H. Woodward, C. S. Gentry, G. D. Carter, Dock Bradley, George Greenwood, Sallie Carter.

Avery's Creek—Rev. W. Southern, J. E. Lance, J. L. Wolf, Jesse Ingram.

Bent Creek—Thomas Stradley, Samuel Lance.

Beaverdam—M. B. Scarborough, Edwin P. Stadley, M. W.Harrison.

Black Mountain—Eli W. Haynes, John W. Hensley, R. M. McMahan, Ellis Burlison.

Brown's Chapel—Rev. J. A. Bradley, James Sawyer, L. M. Revis, J. A. Ingle.

Biltmore—Charley Myers, Pink Spain, Emanuel Pressley, Rev. W. F. Staley.

Flat Creek—Rev. W. T. Bradley, J. H. Sams, W. S. Roberts, J. M. Sams, H. G. McLane, J. M. Doane.

Hominy—M. H. Morgan, Levi S. Clark, Dr. B. H. Greenwood, J. H. Morgan.

Ivy Hill—Aaron Davis, R. Y. Whitt, G. W. Hensley.

Morgan Hill—Rev. O. L. Stringfield, Rev. S. J. Morgan, J. P. Morgan, L. G. Morgan, D. N. Gentry, T. J. Gentry, W. H. Evans, L. J. Williams.

Mt. Carmel—Rev. W. T. Bradley, M. M. Sluder, T. M. Rymer, L. D. Brookshire, J. H. Miller, L. R. Knight, L. Plemmons.

New Salem—J. P. Robinson, B. R. Davis.

Oak Grove—L. W. Roberts, E. A. Roberts, Rev. J. M. Pickens, Rev. W. H. Hooker.

Pleasant Hill—Rev. W. T. Bradley, W. O. Kuykendall, J. D. Taylor, R. W. Buckner, R. H. Taylor, Jesse Kent, Charley Allen.

Vernon Hill—Rev. S. I. Keeler, E. C. Brown, E. J. Rhodes, Robt. Ingle.

On motion by Bro. Terrell Justice, the regular order of business was suspended and Rev. W. M. Vines was instructed to cast the vote of the Association for the present incumbent for Moderator, which he did and Bro. J. P. Morgan was declared elected. J. J. Ammons was elected Clerk; J. M. Stoner, Treasurer, and Dr. L. B. McBrayer, Historian. The Moderator announced the following Committee on Order of Business: Rev. O. L. Stringfield, J. H. Tucker, with the delegates from Morgan Hill Church. On motion the Association adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Re-assembled at 1:30 p. m. Song, "At the Cross." Address of welcome by the Moderator. Response by Bro. Terrell Justice. Letters

from the following churches were read and delegates' names enrolled:

Berea—J. A. Cordell, A. J. Rice, B. G. Shope, James Cordell.

Bethel—W. L. Lunsford, W. C. Duckett, William Comer, J. H. McKinish, L. C. Plemmons, M. J. Duckett.

Liberty—J. W. Green, M. W. Green, Robt. Sawyer, John Holcombe, Rev. M. M. Sluder.

Macedonia—H. B. Miles, W. H. Austin, M. L. Caloway, J. G. Rymer, H. C. Hawkins.

Paint Fork—L. G. Buckner, R. H. Tesneer, R. L. Webb.

West End—W. B. Rutledge, J. B. Grice, J. G. Phillips, J. S. Harper, Lee Plemmons, Ed Smith, Ben Burgess, Rev. A. E. Brown.

The following visiting brethren were recognized and welcomed: Rev. H. C. Risner and R. E. Black, of Roanoke, Ala.; Rev. A. B. Thomas, from the Tuckasegee Association, and representing the Biblical Recorder; Rev. W. H. Woodall, from Mars Hill, N. C.; Rev. A. E. Brown, Assisting Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, and Rev. John Ammons, from the French Broad Association.

The Committee on Order of Business made the following report:

Tuseday Evening—(1) Periodicals; (2) State Missions; (3) Evangelistic Work. At night, Rev. H. C. Risner.

Wednesday—9:30 a. m., devotional exercises conducted by Bro. Risner. 10 a. m., Sunday Schools. 11 a. m., Introductory Sermon, by Rev. W. M. Vines. 12 m., dinner. 1 p. m., State of Churches and Associational Missions. 2 p. m., Orphanage. 3 p. m., Home Missions. 3:30 p. m., Foreign Missions. 8 p. m., Temperance rally.

Thursday—9:30 a. m., devotional exercises, conducted by Bro. Stringfield. 10 a. m., Woman's Work. 10:30 a. m., Education.

Rev. W. P. Southern submitted the report on Periodicals.

Periodicals.

There has never been a time when there was such a demand for religious literature as now, and it does seem as if Baptist parents ought to be wide awake to the importance of furnishing their homes with the very best books and periodicals. There is nothing that so influences and moulds character and shapes destiny as does our reading matter. The worth of a good religious paper in the home can not be estimated as an educator. It is sure and true, cheap and the very best, and a great help in binding our forces together in the unity of the faith. We cannot keep in touch, in sympathy or in co-operation with our work unless we read our papers.

Your committee would urge the importance of a wide circulation of the Biblical Recorder, the Skyland Baptist, the Foreign Mission Journal, the Home Field and such books as deepen the spiritual and broaden the intellectual vision of our people. Motion to adopt.

Rev. A. B. Thomas spoke on the report and most earnestly urged the people to take and read the Biblical Recorder. Rev. A. E. Brown and others spoke on the report. Report adopted.

Bro. A. E. Brown announced the following committees:

On Sunday Schools—J. H. Tucker, M. Sluder, Robt. Ingle, J. H. Sams and J. G. Rymer.

Periodicals—W. P. Southern, W. B. Scarborough, S. J. Morgan, W. L. Lunsford.

Temperance—J. H. Stradley, Marion Morgan, J. J. Ammons, Jesse Ingram.

Orphanage—M. S. Profitt, J. T. Justice, Pink Spain, E. Burlison, J. D. Taylor, James Sawyer.

Foreign Missions—W. T. Bradley, L. M. Revis, Charley Myers, J. W. Hensley, M. W. Harrison.

Education—O. L. Stringfield, E. P. Stradley, Dr. B. H. Greenwood, W. H. Hooker, J. G. Phillips.

State Missions—A. E. Brown, E. J. Rhodes, W. S. Roberts, R. W. Buckner, J. W. Ingle.

Home Missions—W. M. Vines, Levi S. Clark, L. W. Roberts, Aaron Davis, B. W. Davis, H. G. McLean.

State of the Churches—A. E. Brown, J. M. Stoner, R. Y. Whitt, J. P. Robertson, J. H. Woodward, J. H. Miller.

Woman's Work—W. C. Stradley, T. C. Morgan, John Cordell.

B. Y. P. U.—G. D. Carter, J. B. Grice, S. J. Ashworth.

The report on State Missions was called for and read by Rev. A. E. Brown.

State Missions.

It is not possible to convey an adequate idea of this great division of our mission work in a brief report, such as this must be. What the Baptists are to North Carolina spiritually, educationally, socially and commercially is due in a large measure to the work of State Missions. Some of the noblest, wisest and best men of our state have given not only their best thought and endeavor to State Missions but have with joy rendered up their lives in its service.

To be impressed with this work we have but to remember that fully one-third of the 1,731 white Baptist churches in North Carolina were established by state missionaries, and that our strength and influence in every leading town or city in our state is due to the wisdom and foresight of the Board which has had this work in charge. But while much has been done, much still remains to be accomplished. Vast areas of our state are still destitute of the true gospel. The rapid industrial development of other sections of the state has opened up new fields for work, hence the necessity for State Missions not only still exists but these conditions demand that it be greatly enlarged.

Last year there were employed in this work 101 missionaries who supplied 477 churches and 279 out-stations. They reported 2,222 conversions and 1,176 baptisms. They organized 25 new churches and built 53 houses of worship besides finishing 10 houses already begun.

This year the work is laid out on a basis of $25,000, which sum is far too small to meet the pressing and growing needs of the work.

Brethren, let us praise God for His manifold blessing upon this work in the past and let us heed as He calls by His work and by His providences to preach Christ to the people in our own state.

Motion to adopt. The report was discussed by Rev. A. E. Brown and Rev. A. B. Thomas. While the adoption was pending, Bro. Brown asked for pledges from the churches and the following churches responded:

Pledges to State Missions.

Asheville, First Church,	$400.00	Oak Grove	1.00
Antioch	10.00	Pleasant Hill	2.50
Bent Creek	2.50	Vernon Hill	10.00
Beaverdam	10.00	Berea	5.00
Brown's Chapel	1.00	Ivy Hill	2.00
Black Mountain	2.50	Liberty	2.00
Hominy	2.50	Weaverville	2.50
Morgan Hill	5.00	Macedonia	5.00
Mt. Carmel	5.00	West End	40.00
Biltmore	15.00	Big Ivy	10.00
Flat Creek	5.00		
New Salem	5.00	Total	$543.50

Report adopted.

The Mederator appointed the following committees:

Time and Place—H. B. Miles, M. H. Morgan, J. J. Greenwood.

Obituaries—Rev. W. T. Bradley, Levi S. Clark, W. C. Stradley, N. B. Creasman, S. J. Ashworth.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet at 9:30 a. m., Wednesday.

TUESDAY NIGHT.

Rev. H. C. Risner preached a most excellent sermon from John xii. 22; text, "We would see Jesus."

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. H. C. Risner.

The Moderator called the body to order. Minutes of preceding day read and approved. Letters from French Broad, Mountain View and Big Ivy were read and delegates' names enrolled.

French Broad—Rev. W. A. Therrell, P. C. Orpin.

Mountain View—J. A. Walker, F. M. Burnett, J. W. Burnett and Adella Burnett.

Big Ivy—Bud Shuford, A. I. Ingle, James M. Burlison, Dock Whittemore, Rev. W. A. Robertson, O. L. Stringfield.

Report on Sunday Schools was submitted by Bro. J. H. Tucker.

Sunday Schools.

The Sunday School is the Bible School. It is the only institution in which the Bible is much taught to the multitudes. Expository preaching is almost a lost art. Preachers proclaim the Word, but few teach it. In most homes it is but a repository for dust. About the only systematic teaching of the Bible is in the Sunday School. This institution has become such an active, living force in Christian work—such an adjunct to the church—that to destroy it would be to destroy the chief missionary agency of the church. There is no other branch of Chritian endeavor to which can be credited so many glorious results, no branch laden with so much fruit, no channel through which so many souls are led to the Master, as through the faithful Sunday School. As a proof of this, one competent to judge has recently said that 90 per cent. of all the conversions in North Carolina come through the Sunday School. If this be true the Father has recognized, owned and blessed this work. This thought alone should challenge the profoundest consideration of every unsaved man and woman and appeal mightily to the parent desiring the salvation of his child. If 90 per cent. of all converts come through the Sunday School and but a small per cent. of all the people are in Sunday School then the logical conclusion must follow that a majority of the people are lost. If lost, and if it is our duty to point them the way of salvation, then let us adopt the surest method to aid our pastors in this great work, to-wit, the Sunday School.

There are thousands of children and adults crying for the light and there are so few to lift up the lamp of life. God give us men and women consecrated to this one purpose—who are willing workers for the Lord. "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things."

The Sunday School prospects are brightening. The Association has been divided into Sunday School districts and conventions are held in each on every fifth Saturday and Sunday. The people attend in such numbers as to make it difficult to handle them and their interest is intense. We need intelligent direction along the lines of the

latest and best methods of Sunday School work. To this end Field Secretaries Spilman and Johnson will hold institutes with two of our conventions the last week in August. We trust that during the coming year we may be able to put this work on a permanent basis and awaken our people from their long sleep. And may the Holy Spirit direct us in this great work.

J. H. TUCKER, Chairman,
ROBT. INGLE,
J. G. RYMER,
M. M. SLUDER.

Motion to adopt. J. H. Tucker, Rev. W. A. Therrell and A. E. Brown spoke on the report. Report adopted.

On motion the Association adjourned to the school house that the large number present might be better accommodated. Re-assembled at 11 a. m. Song "There's a Beautiful Land." Prayer by Bro. Woodall. Introductory sermon was then preached by Rev. W. M. Vines from Phil. ii : 12. Text, "Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling." On motion, adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Re-assembled at 1:45 p. m. Song, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul." Prayer by Rev. John Ammons.

Moderator announced the Association ready for the transaction of business. Report on State of the Churches was called for and read by Bro. Brown.

State of the Churches.

Your committee finds from the church letters that there has been a more general and deeper interest manifested in the enterprises which this Association was organized to foster, as is shown by the following comparisons:

Twenty-three of our churches report $1,494.59 for foreign missions, an increase of $1,220.97 over last year.

Sixteen churches reported $537.20 for home missions, an increase of $363.86 over last year.

Eleven churches report $900.62 for state missions, an increase of $598.73 over last year.

Twelve churches report $320.92 for orphanage, an increase of $102.64 over last year.

Also twelve of our churches report $1,294.38 for education.

The sum total of the contributions to these five objects is $4,547.71.

The following churches report no contributions to these objects: New Salem, Ivy Hill, French Broad, Bethel and Paint Fork.

We find further that the number of baptisms is only 146, and while this is an increase of 65 over last year, this small number shows two things: First, the low standard of morals permitted by our churches; second, the failure of our chuches to emphasize our Lord's last command, to "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, beginning at Jerusalem."

Your committee finds that New Salem church has for pastor a man who stands excluded from Bethel church for holding and teaching views contrary to the doctrine of Christ. We also find that Vernon Hill church has for pastor a man who, while holding membership in a Baptist church, is not in harmony with us.

It is also commonly reported that these two brethren are given to saying things about Baptist churches in order to bring them into disrepute. It is not difficult to see where a continuation of such a

state of things will lead us. Paul counted the coming in of false brethren as among his greatest trials.

It is easy to see from the letters that those churches are most active where the pastors devote most time to them. We feel, therefore, the urgent necessity of our churches to form, as soon as possible, convenient groups and engage a pastor and then give him such support as to enable him to devote his whole time to the work. In order to do this we recommend that the Association authorize the Executive Committee to use $600 in encouraging this plan.

We further recommend that a committee of one from each township be appointed to co-operate with the Executive Committee in carrying out plans for the furtherance of our work, said committee to be known as the Co-operative Committee.

Motion to adopt. The report was well discussed by Bro. J. H. Tucker and Rev. A. E. Brown. Report was then adopted.

Rev. M. S. Profitt submitted the report on the Orphanage, which was read by Bro. Woodall.

Orphanage.

The inspired writer said: "Pure religion and undefiled before God the Father is this: "To visit the fatherless and widows in their afflictions." The highest expression of the true spirit of the religion of Jesus Christ is caring for the helpless and needy.

The appeal of the helpless orphan touches the best and noblest in human nature, lifts it up and unites it with the purest, tenderest and sweetest spirit of the Master. Savage nature forgets, destroys its helpless young. The Christ-like nature cares for the weakest. We feel that in our orphans work we show the readiest approach to the hearts of our people and respectfully urge pastors and workers generally to press this work earnestly, tenderly and intelligently upon their people. We believe that through this means we may not only lead them to provide adequately for this most Christ-like work in our orphanage at Thomasville, but lead them into larger giving for the work in all lands. There are now 260 orphans at Thomasville. These helpless, homeless little ones, who would be left upon a cold, heartless world, have there a Christian home, Godly men and women, sympathetic and tender, to care for them, giving them physical, mental and spiritual training. Fifteen of these are from Buncombe county. The lowest conception of duty demands that we support at least that many. We earnestly recommend that every Sunday School give regularly and systematically to this work.

Motion to adopt. Bro. Woodall spoke on the report, but further discussion was cut off until Thursday morning.

Below are the names of the children from Buncombe county now in the Orphanage:

Jennie Donivan } have been
Jesse Donivan } here 12 yrs.
Kate Belle Carter
Lilly Ashworth
Theador Asheworth
Ethel Irene Ashworth
Margaret Dennis
Mildred Christine Dennis
Taulby P. Ingle
Jay L. Ingle
Cumi B. Ingle
Walter Griggs
Charlie H. Griggs
Paul Dana Griggs
Frank Arthur Williams.

Association adjourned until 8 o'clock p. m.

NIGHT SESSION.

Re-assembled. Song, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing." Prayer by Bro. Staley. The Moderator announced the Association in session. The report on Temperance was called for and read by Bro. A. E. Brown.

Temperance.

Intemperance, one of the great curses of the world, doubtless was one of the sins that made our Creator regret that he had made man. After the flood the first sin of Noah was to get drunk on wine. Since then, through the ages, the devil has used strong drink as one of the many agencies to curse this world. Now, how to meet and overcome this great evil is a question that confronts us all. We think in the first place, wise legislation, judicially enforced. Next, home and church influence. Wine is a mocker, strong drink raging; whoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

J. H. STRADLEY.
For the Committee.

Motion to adopt. Rev. W. M. Vines made a ringing speech in favor of the report. Brethren Staley, Brown, Risner, Bradley, Morgan and Tucker all made good talks in favor of the report. Rev. A. E. Brown offered the following

Resolution.

Resolved, That this Association does now and here commit itself to the destruction of the liquor traffic, and to this end we pledge ourselves not to support any man for any office who does not commit himself to the destruction of the traffic.

On motion the resolution was adopted by a rising vote. The vote was then taken on the report, which was also adopted on motion.

Bro. J. H. Tucker was instructed to call a convention of the Baptists of Buncombe county to formulate plans to carry into effect the object of the Anti-Saloon League.

The Executive Committee made its report as follows:

Report of the Executive Committee.

To the Buncombe County Association:

Dear Brethren—We, the undersigned Executive Board of this Association, having no money with which to accomplish anything, but seeing the need of the advancement of the Baptist cause, recommend as follows: That an Executive Board be appointed as required by the Constitution, and that a member from each township be appointed to co-operate with the Executive Board, and that the Association raise pledges of $300 for county missions and request the State Board to appropriate $600 for the same purpose. This fund to be used in the bounds of the Association and that the same be appropriated by said committee.

Respectfully submitted by your committee.

J. T. JUSTICE, Chairman,
M. W. HAMRICK,
J. H. STRADLEY.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Nominations made its report, which is as

Township Committee.

Big Ivy—G. D. Carter.
Flat Creek—W. S. Roberts.
Reems Creek—W. T. Bradley, Jr.
Fairview—Jason Ashworth.
Swannanoa—Jno. Cordell.
Leicester—J. G. Rymer.

French Broad—Dave Taylor.
Lower Hominy—E. J. Rhodes.
Avery's Creek—Robt. Clayton.
Black Mountain—J. A. Walker.
Hominy—M. H. Morgan.
Limestone—James Green.
Asheville—
J. M. Stoner,
H. A. Brown,
W. C. Stradley,
Executive Committee.

On motion the report was adopted. Bro. A. E. Brown asked for a leave of absence, which was granted. The Association adjourned till 9:30 a. m., Thursday. Benediction by Rev. H. C. Risner.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13.

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Devotional exercises led by Rev. O. L. Stringfield and Rev. John Ammons. On motion the roll call was suspended. Minutes of preceding day were read and approved. Rev. S. M. Hall, from the Transylvania Association, was recognized and welcomed.

Letters were handed in from Crestnut Grove, Palestine and Swan nanoa, and delegates enrolled.

Chestnut Grove—N. E. Brigman, Dan Dillingham, Will Arrowood, Willie Dillingham.

Palestine—Wesley Pressley, James Kilpatrick.

Swannanoa—W. H. Wright, J. D. Allen.

The report on the Orphanage was again taken up and adopted. Pledges were asked for with the following results:

Pledges.

Asheville, First Church,	$150.00	Liberty	1.00
Antioch	10.00	Macedonia	5.00
Bent Creek	2.50	West End	25.00
Beaverdam	15.00	Big Ivy	10.00
Brown's Chapel	1.00	Avery's Creek	5.00
Black Mountain	2.00	Berea	6.00
Biltmore	15.00	Paint Fork	1.00
Morgan Hill	5.00	Cane Creek	10.00
Flat Creek	2.50	Swannanoa	2.00
Oak Grove	2.50	Palestine	2.50
Pleasant Hill	2.00	Mountain View	2.50
Vernon Hill	12.00		
Ivy Hill	1.00	Total	$211.50

Sunday School Pledges.

Antioch	$5.00	Paint Fork	1.00
Bent Creek	1.00	Berea	5.00
Black Mountain	1.00	Chestnut Grove	2.00
Biltmore	5.00	Skyland	5.00
Flat Creek	2.50		
Big Ivy	15.00	Total	$42.50

Pledges to Orphanage by Individuals.

Miss Ada Burnett	$2.50	E. J. Rhodes	5.00
Mrs. J. H. Denby	1.00	Bud Shuford	2.50
Rev. W. Creasman	2.00	A. M. Burlison	$2.50
Dave Taylor	2.00		
Mrs. Terrell Justice	5.00		
Levi S. Clark	5.00	Total	$27.50

The following report was read by Rev. O. L. Stringfield:

Report on Education.

The Lord is graciously blessing the efforts we have put forth for the education of our people. Beginning with the most important part of this work—the education of young ministers—every nook and corner of our state has reasons for rejoicing in the blessed work which Wake Forest, Mars Hill and Judson College have done to give us an educated ministry. No longer can we be reproached for having an ignorant ministry. Nor can we afford to fail in rendering any aid we can to those young men whom the Lord has called to preach. There are now at Wake Forest sixty young men studying for the ministry and a larger number who would be there if we would place the means in their reach. There are now at Mars Hill and in other preparatory schools a large number of young men who are being aided by brethren in and out of the state. We commend them heartily for this labor of love.

In all the work we do there is nothing equal to a proper attitude towards the gospel of the living Ministry.

Judaism, Romanism and infidelity, with all their attendant evils are to be successfully met by the earnest, faithful presentation of Bible truth, by God-called men. Therefore we cannot put too great emphasis on ministerial education. Wake Forest stands second to no Southern college. Year after year it is crowded with young men who are reflecting credit on our state.

The last child of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Female University, has entered on a most wonderful career. Its capacity has been taxed from the beginning. We trust that the time will come when other buildings can be erected that a larger number of our young women may enjoy the great advantages of this school.

We commend most heartily Mars Hill College and other Baptist schools in this mountain section, and urge our people to the greatest faithfulness to them. As patriots we rejoice in the great interest over the state in general education. The attitude of our Governor, C. B. Aycock, and J. W. Bailey, editor of the Biblical Recorder, toward the education of the children of North Carolina is truly commendable. We hope the time will soon come when every child in North Carolina may be able to read and write. Respectfully submitted,

O. L. STRINGFIELD,
EDWIN P. STRADLEY,
W. H. HOOKER,
Committee.

Motion to adopt. Rev. W. H. Woodall, H. C. Risner, Bro. Terrell Justice and Bro. Will Creasman spoke on the report. Report adopted. Pledges were asked for and the following Churches responded:

Pledges to Ministerial Education.

Asheville, First Church,	$150.00	Baptist Y. P. U. at Biltmore, for Mars Hill College	$5.00
Antioch	10.00		
Morgan Hill	5.00		
Weaverville	1.00		
Big Ivy	5.00	Total	$171.00

The report on Woman's Work was read by Bro. W. C. Stradley.

Woman's Work.

Your Committee on Woman's Work feel unworthy in attempting

to represent one of the greatest organizations which is hastening the coming of our Blessed Lord.

Woman helped to bring sin into the world and God is using her to bring the world back to Him. We are glad the day is past and forever gone when women are not allowed to speak in public for Christ and collect money for His work. One of the greatest powers of the day is an organized and praying body of ladies. If women pray, they are not afraid to ask their husbands for money for missions or other objects of the Church. Let us thank God for what they have done the past year. There is still room for improvement. Doubtless there are ladies in this Association who have not given one dollar the past year to their Master's work. But they have kept up with the fashions of the world. Whether a fine hat or a fine dress they are always of the latest style. It does not seem to differ whether they are in the city or country—the dresses are full long and to spare. If the part of the dress that drags on the ground and the unnecessary amount of cloth in the sleeves were sold for cash, it would support a missionary in China. Oh, that the women of Buncombe county would resolve to raise an extra hundred dollars the coming year. If they would join together in this work they could easily support a missionary in our foreign field. The great power of women for good is just now being felt. Miss Helen Gould was recently asked to aid in the settlement of a labor trouble involving 4,600 laborers. Mrs. Carrie Nation, while making a speech and selling hatchets in one of our Western states, was forced into a car by thirteen policemen, it requiring two minutes to accomplish the job. They were so rough that the women present cried out, "Stone the policemen!" If the Christian ladies would join themselves together to help put out the greatest curse of our land, they would save their husbands, sons and brothers. May God's power come upon all who are willing to aid in bringing the world to Christ. We, your committee, earnestly request every pastor of every Church in this Association which has not a Woman's Missionary Society organized to aid the ladies to organize one at once. Respectfully submitted,

W. C. STRADLEY,
T. C. MORGAN,
J. A. CORDELL,
Committee.

Motion to adopt. Remarks were made by Bro. Stradley, after which the report was adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was called for and read by Bro. W. T. Bradley.

Foreign Missions.

"And ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." —Acts, i : 8. And again, the Master said just before he left his disciples on the Mount of Olives to go back to his Father, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."—Matt. xxviii:19. The great commission today has a claim on the Church to send the gospel to the heathen. Wherever the glad tidings is proclaimed loyal hearts bow in humble submission to Jesus. Our work in the foreign field is rapidly progressing. Last year we had more converts than in any previous year.

Your committee recommend that the Churches increase their

offerings to foreign missions and that we study missions in our Churches.

W. T. BRADLEY,
CHAS. MYERS,
Committee.

The following Churches made pledges to foreign missions:

Asheville, First Church,	$1,000.00	Liberty	3.00
Antioch	15.00	Macedonia	5.00
Bent Creek	5.00	Weaverville	1.00
Beaverdam	45.00	West End	50.00
Hominy	2.50	Big Ivy	10.00
Morgan Hill	5.00	Paint Fork	1.00
Mt. Carmel	5.00	Palestine	5.00
Biltmore	20.00	Avery's Creek	5.00
Flat Creek	5.00	Mountain View	5.00
Pleasant Hill	5.00	Gash's Creek	5.00
Vernon Hill	60.00	*W. M. Society	5.00
Berea	10.00		
Ivy Hill	1.00	Total	$1,273.50

*What Society made the above pledge does not appear in the original minutes. I am not able to say whether it is an error in the report or the careless way the item was given in.—Clerk.

Motion to adopt. The report was adopted without discussion.

Bro. Bradley then read the report of the Committee on Obituaries, which is as follows:

Report on Obituaries.

We, your Committee on Obituaries, are not in possession of the names of deceased brethren and sisters, and request the delegates to furnish the clerk with the names of the deceased of the Association. Respectfully submitted,

W. T. BRADLEY,
LEVI S. CLARK,
W. C. STRADLEY,
Committee.

Report was adopted.

The report on Associational Missions was called for and submitted by the committee.

Associational Missions.

We recommend that the Association raise not less than three hundred dollars, and ask the State Board to supplement this amount with not less than six hundred dollars, to be used in Buncombe county under the direction of the Executive and Co-operative Committees. Respectfully submitted, COMMITTEE.

Report was adopted without discussion.

The following pledges were made to Associational Missions:

Private Pledges.

Terrell Justice	$2.50	Miss Zorah Williams	1.00
W. J. Silver	1.00	Mrs. James Burlison	1.00
J. J. Ammons	1.00	Asheville, First Church	5.00
J. J. Greenwood	1.00	West End	5.00
J. W. Myers	1.00	Gashes Creek	10.00
D. W. Shuford	1.00	L. A. S	5.00
Mrs. Jud Greenwood	1.00		
Mrs. G. D. Carter	2.00	Total	$37.50

Pledges by Churches.

Asheville, First Church	$100.00	Liberty (by M. M. Sluder)	1.00
Antioch	10.00	Macedonia	5.00
Bent Creek	2.00	Weaverville	1.00
Beaverdam	15.00	Big Ivy	10.00
Black Mountain	5.00	Bethel	2.00
Hominy	5.00	Paint Fork	2.00
Morgan Hill	10.00	Swannanoa	5.00
Mt. Carmel	5.00	Chestnut Grove	2.00
Biltmore	10.00	Palestine	2.00
Flat Creek	5.00	Mountain View	5.00
New Salem	5.00	Avery's Creek	2.00
Oak Grove	2.50	West End	15.00
Pleasant Hill	2.00	French Broad	5.00
Vernon Hill	5.00		
Berea	5.00		
Ivy Hill	2.00	Total	$245.50

The report on Home Missions was called for and read by Bro. Vines.

Home Missions.

The work of Home Missions is fundamental. This statement will be fully sustained by the following incontrovertable facts: The hope of the world is Christianity, "for there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved." The Foreign Mission enterprise is the divine method of giving Christianity to a lost and perishing world. The structure of Foreign Missions rests upon two mighty pillars—the salvation of America and the work of Home Missions. The salvation of America rests upon the enterprise of Home Missions. These assertions are manifestly true, and if so, then the work of Home Missions is second to no other enterprise which should enlist the support of our churches. It is fundamental to all our work, to our very denominational life. The work under our Home Mission Board has been unusually successful during the past year. More money has been contributed, more work has been done, more results achieved and a higher standard set for the future than in any previous year; and for this we return thanks to God. Upon the Home Mission Board have pressed some of the profoundest questions of our times for solution. The negro problem, immigration, and the congestion of population in unevangelized cities, to say nothing of the conditions obtaining in our mountain section. The amount contributed during the year ending with April was $110,122.04, a gain of nearly $10,000 over the previous year.

Among the negroes, institute work is being done in four states and some general missionaries are receiving a co-operative support which is quite profitable. They are reported as exerting themselves very commendably in independent efforts. Increased work is being done among the immigrants in Baltimore, Galveston and the state of Missouri. This gathering of foreign population in the South is regarded as one of the menaces of the future. But the bulk of the work of the 671 home missionaries is done in needy districts all over the Southern States in co-operation with the State Board of Missions. Besides this the Board is doing the best it can to evangelize Cuba, which is really in the nature of foreign work, such as that in Mexico and Brazil.

During the year there were nearly 18,700 additions to the Church by letter and baptisms, and 280 churches built and improved. An

increase of 1,500 additions and forty-nine Churches over last year. In connection with the main work of the Board we mention three subordinate phases of its activity. One is its publication work, whereby tracts, leaflets and "Our Home Field," the organ of the Board, are distributed. Another is the Church Building Loan Fund. This has been a powerful factor with some bodies of Christian people for the extension of their denominations; with us it is yet in its infancy and has hardly had a beginning.

Lastly, we mention the denominational schools fostered by the Board in mountainous and needy districts, which are proving a leavening force among the people both for Christianity and the general cause of education. This last-mentioned fact is of signal and vital importance to the people of Western North Carolina, as the Home Mission Board supplements the work of State Missions in Western North Carolina and is aiding us in building up our schools which are of such vital importance to our denominational life in this section. At the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention at Savannah it was decided to raise our contributions to $200,000 for the next Conventional year. Let all our Churches co-operate in aiding in raising this amount and thereby obtain the blessing promised by our Lord when he said, "Lo, I am with you always even unto the end of the world."

On motion the report was adopted.

The following pledges were made to Home Missions:

Asheville, First Church,	$500.00	Berea	3.00
Antioch	5.00	Ivy Hill	1.00
Beaverdam	15.00	Macedonia	5.00
Brown's Chapel	1.00	Weaverville	1.00
Black Mountain	2.00	West End	20.00
Hominy	2.50	Big Ivy	5.00
Morgan Hill	5.00	Avery's Creek	2.00
Biltmore	15.00	Mountain View	3.00
Oak Grove	2.50	W. M. S. at Beaverdam	5.00
Vernon Hill	2.00		
Pleasant Hill	2.00	Total	$597.00

The Committee on Time and Place made the following report:

Report on Time and Place.

Your Committee on Time and Place beg leave to report as follows: Time—Tuesday after the Second Sunday in August, 1904. Place—Macedonia Baptist Church. Introductory sermon to be preached by Rev. O. L. Stringfield.

H. B. MILES,
M. H. MORGAN,
J. J. GREENWOOD,
Committee.

On motion the report was adopted. It was moved and seconded that a committee be appointed to revise the list of ministers. Motion carried.

The Treasurer presented the following report:

Treasurer's Report.

As Treasurer of this Association I submit the report below.

Collected—

Foreign Missions	$51.45	Orphanage	17.68
State Missions	8.50	Minute Fund	34.55
Home Missions	19.97		
Ministerial Education	7.50	Total	$139.65

The Historian's report was called for, and in the absence of the Historian, was read by Bro. J. H. Tucker.

Historian's Report.

To the Buncombe County Baptist Association, Morgan Hill, N. C.:

Last session of this Association was held with the West End Baptist Church, Asheville, August 12th to 14th, 1902, and was largely attended, and a deep spirituality pervaded all present, throughout the entire session. Rev. W. F. Staley preached the Associational sermon.

There were thirty-one Churches represented, against twenty-six the previous year. Weaverville Church presented a letter and asked for admission, but the Committee asked for further time and was given until this session to report. I should have stated in my last report, that Churches had been organized at Piney Mountain, near Morgan Hill, by Rev. W. T. Bradley, and in West Asheville by Rev. Clubb, with the preachers named as pastors.

The Church in West Asheville sent a letter and messenger to the Henderson County Association last year, and was received. This is rather strange, since our session was held within one-quarter of a mile of the Church. The Church at Morgan Hill had some disagreements between its members last year, which finally resulted in some thirty or more of them taking their letters and organizing the new Church spoken of above, known as Piney Mountain. They have succeeded in building a very neat church house, which is now almost completed.

The Big Ivy Church has nearly completed a magnificent house of worship, which was very badly needed, a half-mile up the creek from the old Church, at the town of Barnardsville. When completed it will be the most commodious and most magnificent country church edifice in the Western part of the State.

Morgan Hill has remodelled and greatly improved her house of worship. Its beauty is apparent to you all.

There have been very few changes in the pastorates during the past year. Rev. W. M. Vines continues as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Asheville, although he has had one-half dozen or more very flattering calls since our last session, some of them at an increased salary. Rev. W. B. Rutledge continues as pastor at West End. He has recently had the misfortune to lose his wife. The end was not unexpected, but was none the less to be deplored. Mr. Rutledge is now in Clover Port, Kentucky, where he took his wife's body for burial. Rev. A. E. Brown continues the work of Assistant Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Convention. He recently attended a missionary conference at Chautauqua, New York.

Rev. O. L. Stringfield continues to work in this county, and is making some progress on the building of his school for girls.

The Sanctificationists continue working, with more or less results, in different sections of the county. Some of our Churches have been weakened perceptibly therby.

The last session of this body was noted for the large number of visitors present. Among them were Rev. J. L. White, of Macon, Ga.;

Rev. E. E. Bomar, Assistant Secretary Foreign Mission Board; Rev. L. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary North Carolina Baptist Convention; Arch Johnson, editor "Charity and Children," and Miss Sallie McCracken, of the Orphanage; Rev. Dr. R. T. Vann, of the Baptist Female Uuiversity, Raleigh; Rev. M. A. Jenkins, Dublin, Ga.; J. A. Oates, editor "North Carolina Baptist"; Rev. J. D. Chapman, Anderson, S. C.; John E. Ray, Raleigh; Rev. A. B. Thomas, representing the Biblical Recorder; Rev. John Ammons, Madison county; Rev. W. H. Woodall, Mars Hill College; Dr. George K. Quick, Springfield, Mass.; T. Neil Johnson, Corresponding Secretary Sunday-school Board; Rev. C. H. Durham, Lumberton; Bro. Todd, Florida; and Miss Lottie Price, China.

It was pleasant to have Miss Price with us for several reasons: 1. She was a member of the West End Church when she went as Missionary to Chian. 2. She was at one time supported by the First Baptist and West End Churches. 3. She is considered the Missionary of this Association, and this Association is responsible for her salary, according to the resolution adopted by this body several years ago when it met with the Church at Mt. Carmel, which resolution has never been repealed. However, I notice from minutes of last year that the Churches of this Association only paid $237.62 on her salary. Miss Price visited several Churches in this Association during her stay here, as well as many Churches in this Association during and in other States, to the delight and edification of all who met or heard her.

Some very able, earnest and eloquent addresses were delivered at the last session, notably on "Education" by Rev. Dr. R. T. Vann; on "Foreign Missions" by Dr. E. E. Bomar; on "Temperance" by Rev. J. A. Oates.

We regret that the minutes of the last session contained a great many inaccuracies, especially as regards proper names.

Respectfully submitted,

L. B. McBRAYER,

Asheville, N. C., August 11th, 1903. Historian.

The report was adopted without comment.

Bro. J. H. Tucker offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Buncombe County Association hereby express our gratitude to the good people of Morgan Hill Church community and for her large and generous hospitality in caring for the members and visitors of this body.

The resolution was adopted.

The following Chairmen of Committees for 1904 were named:

Sunday-schools—J. M. Stoner.
Periodicals—W. T. Bradley.
Temperance—Levi S. Clark.
Orphanage—W. F. Staley.
Foreign Missions—O. L. Stringfield.
Education—A. E. Brown.
State Missions—W. M. Vines.
Home Missions—M. M. Sluder.
State of Churches—W. P. Southern.
Woman's Work—J. H. Tucker.
B. Y. P. U.—J. G. Phillips.

Brethren J. P. Morgan and J. M. Stoner were named as delegates

to the Southern Baptist Convention, and J. N. Morgan and M. M. Sluder were named as delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

Brethren F. M. Burnett and Will Creasman and Misses A. H. and A. V. Burnett rendered a piece of music to the great enjoyment of all present.

A motion was made to adjourn to time and place reported by Committee. Motion carried.

Bro. Vines suggested that the body sing "There's a Beautiful Land," and extend to each other their hands as a vow that they would do more for the Master the coming year than they had ever done before. Hence, amid a volume of song, a shower of tears and heavy throbs of loyal hearts, closed one of the greatest meetings ever held in Buncombe county.

Benediction by Bro. Risner.

J. P. MORGAN, Moderator.

J. J. AMMONS, Clerk.

The delegates handed in the names of the following brethren and sisters who have died since last meeting of the Association:

Morgan Hill—John Embler, Sister M. J. Embler, Sister Lizzie Davis, and Sister Ruby Gentry.

Biltmore—T. J. Reed.

Liberty—Sister Lola Levy.

Pleasant Hill—G. W. Robinson, Sister Anna L. Roberson, Bro. C. L. Corn.

Churches	Clerks	Postoffices	Constit'ed	Sabbath meetings	Baptisms	Received by letter	Restored	Dismissed by letter	Excluded	Deaths	Males	Females	Ordained ministers	Totals	Value of Church property
Antioch	W. T. Woodward	Democrat		3	9			4	2	1	70	109	2	181	$ 800
Avery's Creek	Jesse Ingram	Avery's Creek		3	2	1		1			21	40		63	
Beaverdam	E. P. Stradley	R.D.No. 1, Ash'e		2-4		5		3	2		22	30	1	52	1000
Bent Creek	Hardee Lance	Inanda		3	2			6	1		17	24		41	
Bethel	L. C. Plemmons	Emma		2	5	6				1	28	56		84	500
Berea	J. A. Cordell	Riceville		4	5	1	1		1		25	39	1	64	1800
Big Ivy	A. I. Ingle	Barnardsville			7	9	1	2		2	86	99	2	185	
Black Mountain	B. W. Burlison	Barnardsville		4	4			2	2	1	48	53		102	800
Brown's Chapel	W. T. Bradley, Jr.	Beech		1	15	1		1		4					800
Cane Creek	R. A. Morgan	Fairview	1806	2-4		4		8		2	69	108		177	
Chestnut Grove	W. E. Dillingham	Dillingham		3	32		5	2	1		43	43		86	
Biltmore	Chas. R. Whitaker	Biltmore		1-3	6	9		2		2	26	60		86	5000
Flat Creek	C. W. Roberts	Flat Creek		1	9	3		11	3		61	72		133	
French Broad	J. L. Durham	Asheville													
Hominy	Levi S. Clark	Candler			11	12	1	8	11		57	67		124	
Ivy Hill	R. Y. Whitt	Cletus		4	8	5		4		1	40	32		72	400
Liberty			1895					3		1	15	32			
Macedonia	H. C. Hawkins			2	5	5		2	1		50	67		117	
Morgan Hill	D. N. Gentry	Morgan Hill		3	3	1		14	5	4	39	45	1	84	1000
Mountain View	J. L. Burnett	Black Mountain							9	1	30	61		91	
Mount Carmel	D. E. Ramsey	Juno		3	4	3		10			44	47	1	91	
New Salem	M. L. Lance	Skyland		1		1				2	28	36		64	400
Oak Grove	L. W. Roberts	Jupiter		4	4	1		3			23	46	2	69	
Palestine	R. A. Clayborne	Rest Haven		1		9	1				11	11	1	22	
Paint Fork	S. J. Arrowood										12	23		35	
Pleasant Hill	J. D. Taylor	Alexander		3	1	4	1	7		3	42	49		91	300
Swannanoa	L. B. Buchanan	Swannanoa		4	3	7					8	11		19	1000
Vernon Hill	A. D. Davis	Inanda			1	1		1	5	2	6	19		25	1000
West End	A. E. Harper	Asheville			13	18		27	17	1	68	163	2	231	6000
Asheville First Ch	C. S. Davis	Asheville			39	43	7	41	5	3			2	780	
Totals															

NOTE.—A letter from the West Asheville Church praying admission into the Association was received too late to be acted upon. No letters were sent from Mt. Olivet, Weaverville, Burnsville Hill, Emily's Grove, Gash's Creek, Haw Creek and Trinity.

FINANCIAL

Churches	Pastors	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	The Poor	Associational Missions	State Missions
Asheville First Ch.	W. M. Vines.....	$2250 00	$1100 76	676 83	123 20	179 92	393 77
Antioch	O. L. Stringfield..	100 00		10 00			15 00
Avery's Creek....	W. P. Southern..	36 00					
Bent Creek.....	M. M. Sluder.....				2 00		
Beaverdam	W. F. Staley.....	150 00		32 06			16 19
Berea.....	O. L. Stringfield..	100 00		6 25			
Bethel	C. C. Clubb.....	40 00					
Big Ivy.....	O. L. Stringfield..	60 00	3500 00				
Black Mountain...	M. S. Proffit.....	30 00	10 25		15 00		
Cane Creek.....	A. I. Justice.....	150 00		25 00		15 35	8 70
Brown's Chapel...	J. A. Bradley.....						
Chestnut Grove...	J. C. Cordell.....	25 00					
Biltmore.....	W. F. Staley.....	400 00			3 49		
Flat Creek.....	W. T. Bradley....	50 00		20 43			5 00
French Broad.....	W. A. Therrell....						
Hominy	M. R. N. Caldwell	68 45	24 65	3 22			5 00
Ivy Hill.....	A. J. Sprinkle.....	30 00			3 00		
Liberty	M. M. Sluder.....	30 00					
Macedonia.....	W. T. Bradley....	61 75		2 00	5 00		5 20
Morgan Hill.....	O. L. Stringfield..	100 00	400 00				3 00
Mountain View...	Fred Pressley.....	60 00					
Swannanoa.....	F. M. Pressley....	36 00		50 00			
Mount Carmel....	W. T. Bradley....	75 00					
New Salem.....	H. P. Rich.....	50 00					
Oak Grove.....	John Ammons ...						
Palestine	F. M. Pressley....	25 00	For	Miss	Lottie	Price	5 16
Paint Fork.....	M. S. Proffit.....	20 00					
Pleasant Hill.....	W. T. Bradley....	40 00		1 00			
Vernon Hill.....	S. I. Keeler.....	100 00		16 00	4 00		
West End.....	W. B. Rutledge...	623 55		196 22	3 83		20 00
	Totals....	$4680 75	5035 66	1039 01	159 52	195 27	477 02

TABLE.

Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Music	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools	Ministerial Education	Other Objects	Through W. M. S.	Through L. A. S.	Through B. Y. P. U.	Minutes	Y. L. M. S.
235 29	630 06		380 00	172 55	1083			710 99	145 20	65 17		
5 00	18 35			5 00	10 00		15 00	22 02				
3 10	10 00			5 00			7 00				80	
2 00	10 00			5 00			15 00				80	
15 00				7 92	16 10		31 25	18 45		5 00	1 00	
3 00		2 50			2 00		15 00	8 75			1 00	
											1 00	
				12 35	1 65							
2 50						2 50					1 50	
	12 79			2 72		5 00					1 30	
1 40											95	
5 00												
13 18	18 84			15 12			27 50	28 50		25 00	1 25	20 50
	5 00										1 25	
	5 00			7 00							1 00	
	3 00										75	
2 00	7 78			6 05		2 00					1 20	
5 00	5 00											
2 50	2 50										60	
2 00											40	
5 00	10 00			5 00	5 00							
											50	
	1 00			2 50							1 00	
1 00	2 00			2 00							20	
											70	
3 00	5 00			2 00			8 20				1 10	
	136 10						36 00					
11 53	39 50			27 79	82 00		30 00			14 52		
318 00	912 92	2 50	380 00	278 00	1199 75	9 50	184 95	788 71	145 20	109 69		20 50

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Schools	Superintendents	Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. of Schools	Average Attendance	Volumes in Library	Quarterlies & papers taken	Months kept open	Professions in School	For sup't of school	Orphanage	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Poor	Church Building	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	Associational Missions	Music	Colleges and Schools	No. Baptisms	Other Objects	S. S. Missions	Receipts
Asheville	J. H. Tucker	26	408		365	386		12			$62 50				$25 00	$ 160 58		$ 233 48	$82 50	$120	$20 00				
Antioch	G. D. Carter	13	148	2	85		130	12										12 50				9			
Avery's Creek																									
Beaverdam	J. T. Justice	10	88	1	40		104	12			2 08			33 89				16 89			8 90		$ 4 45		
Bent Creek	N. B. Creasman	7	40		30			12																	
Bethel	L. C. Plemmons	3	43		35		34	12										3 00				3			
Berea	J. A. Cordell	7	57	1	30		55	12			5 00							4 50				5		$ 2 50	
Big Ivy	A. I. Ingle	7	160		110			12																	
Black Mountain	F. M. Haynes	8	106		55																				
Brown's Chapel	Rev. J. A. Bradley	6	32		20		40	12										1 40				5			
Cane Creek	S. J. Ashworth	4	110		75													24 00							$25
Chestnut Grove	Joel Brigman	7	82		50			8										10 00							
Biltmore	Dr. A. S. Whittaker	6	86		65		125	12			4 88		6 82	14 16				60 00				6	6 00		
Flat Creek		7	50				40											5 00							
French Broad							139																		
Hominy	M. H. Morgan	5	85				125											5 00							
Ivy Hill	W. M. Blankenship	7	75	1	50			12										3 50				7			
Macedonia	J. G. Rymer	7	65				42											10 75							
Morgan Hill	S. J. Morgan	10	94	1	65		75	6																	
Mountain View	W. H. Burnett	7	52	1	30		52	12																	
Mount Carmel	L. D. Brookshire	7		1				12														3			
New Salem	R. Clayton	6	70		55																				
Oak Grove	E. A. Roberts																								
Palestine	Jas. Kilpatrick	7	48	1	37		24											3 00				2			
Paint Fork		6	70		30			10																	
Pleasant Hill	R. W. Buckner	5	65	1	32		60	12										9 00							
Vernon Hill	E. C. Brown	10	84	1	47		80	12			12 88			23 92			17 49	7 50							
Swannanoa	L. B. Buchanan	6	64		60			12										5 00							
West End	J. B. Grice	11	281	2	125	97	360	12										29 48				6	168 75		
	Totals	202	2075	27	1481	483	1485				$87 34		$ 6 82	$71 97	$25 00	$ 160 58	$17 49	$ 384 00	$82 50	$120	$28 90	46	119 20	$ 2 50	$25

CONSTITUTION.

Article I—Name.

Section 1.—This body shall be known as "The Buncombe County Baptist Association."

Article II—Constituency.

Section 1.—This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the Church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for; Provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Section 2.—Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

Section 3.—The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association until its final adjournment.

Article III.

Section 1.—The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the Church letters and the enrollment of the delegats. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Section 2.—The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mill's Parliamentary Practice.

Section 3.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association, and pay them out on the order of the same.

Section 4.—It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

Article IV—Object.

Section 1.—It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday-schools, Church Extension, and Temperance.

Article V—Committees.

Section 1.—At each Annual Meeting, the Moderator shall appoint the following Committees: Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State and Associational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday-schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the Association, and such other Committees as the Association may direct.

Section 2.—It shall be the duties of the Committees to report in writing on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

Article VI—Executive Board.

Section 1.—This Association, at each Annual Meeting, shall appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of North

Carolina Baptist Convention in supplying the destitute within our bounds.

Article VII—Church Letters.

Section 1.—The Church letters shall give the following information, to wit: Name of Church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their post-offices; number baptized; received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and number of deaths during the year; number and sex of members; time of prayer-meetings; amount paid for pastor's salary; incidental expenses; home missions; foreign missions; education; Sunday-school and Bible missions; and if for any other object, to be noted.

Report of Sunday-schools to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kinds of papers used in the Sunday-schools; name and post-office of the superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

Article VIII—By-Laws.

Section 1.—This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's "Manual of Parliamentary Practice."

Article IX—Meeting.

Section 1.—This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article X—Printing.

Section 1.—Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI—Correspondence.

Section 1.—This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII—Faith.

Section 1.—This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform, and the only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Section 2.—As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

Article XIII—Amendment.

Section 1.—This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

Note.—There appears to be a pledge to Associational Missions by L. A. S., with the name of said society omitted. This pledge can be paid to the Treasurer, and he can make mention of it in his report for 1904. Also the amount pledged by the W. M. S., the name of the society being left off. This can be paid to the Treasurer and he can give credit to the proper society.—Clerk.

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OF THE

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OF

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HELD WITH

Macedonia Baptist Church

August 16, 17, 18, 1904

J. P. MORGAN, Moderator - - - Asheville, N. C.
R. J. STOKELY, Clerk - - - Asheville, N. C.

Next session will be held with Black Mountain Baptist Church, Tuesday after the second Sunday in August, 1905

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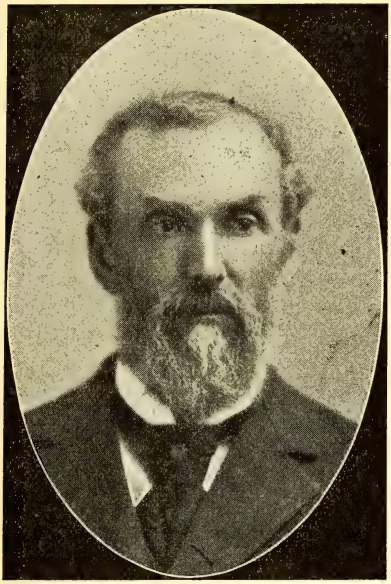

JOHN P. MORGAN

Present at First Meeting of Buncombe County Association twenty-three years ago and has been its presiding officer ten years.

OFFICERS.

Moderator, John P. Morgan.....Asheville, N. C.
Clerk, R. J. Stokely.....Asheville, N. C.
Treasurer, John M. Stoner.....Asheville, N. C.
Historian, J. H. Tucker.....Asheville, N. C.

Ordained Ministers.

Anderson, J. W.....Asheville, N. C.
Brown, A. E.....Asheville, "
Brown, T. K.....Black Mountain "
Bradley, W. T.....Democrat, "
Brendell, J. A.....Democrat, "
Cordell, J. C.....Black Mountain, "
Haynes, Wm .....Grace, "
Keeler, S. I.....Inanda, "
Lunsford, Wm .....Asheville, "
Morgan, E. J.....Hominy, "
Morgan, S. J.....Morgan Hill, "
Moore, S. F.....Fairview, "
Owen, S. C.....Candler, "
Profitt, M. S.....Democrat, "
Pressley, F. M.....Skyland, "
Robertson, W. A.....Barnardsville, "
Staley, W. F.....Biltmore, "
Stringfield, O. L.....Democrat, "
Southern, W. P.....Inanda, "
Sluder, M. M .....Juno, "
Whitaker, Dr. A. S.....Biltmore, "

PROCEEDINGS

The Buncombe County Baptist Association met in its twenty-third annual session with Macedonia Baptist Church, August 16, 1904, and was called to order promptly at 11 o'clock, a. m., by Bro. John P. Morgan, Moderator; and after reading and prayer Bro. R. J. Stokely was requested to act as temporary clerk.

Bros. John M. Stoner and J. H. Tucker were appointed Reading Clerks.

Letters were read from the following named churches and delegates' names enrolled.

Asheville, First Church — J. H. Tucker, J. M. Stoner, W. C. Stradley, J. T. Justice, R. J. Stokely.
Antioch Church — B. F. Arrowood, J. J. Greenwood, Jeff Garrison, Talitha Arrowood, Willie May Bradley, Mrs. N. R. Brendell.
Beaverdam Church — A. B. Edwards and M. W. Harrison.
Berea Church — J. A. Cordell, O. L. Stringfield, James Cordell, Miss Ocia Allison.
Bethell Church — M. H. Plemmons, J. P. Brookshire, J. P. Crawford, John Worley.
Biltmore Church — Charles Meyers.
Bent Creek Church— Thomas Stradley.
Black Mountain — J. W. Hensley, J. M. Burlison, R. M. McMahan.
Cane Creek Church — A. H. Pinkerton, G. W. Sales.
Big Ivy Church — A. J. Ingle.
Mount Carmel Church — J. H. Miller, L. R. Knight, L. D. Brookshire, D. E. Ramsey, L. Plemmons.
Morgan Hill Church — J. P. Morgan, J. J. Ammons, Jas. N. Morgan, Stanley Fisher.
Macedonia Church — H. Buckner, H. B. Miles, J. G. Rymer, F. P. Sluder.
Paint Fork Church — M. S. Profitt.
Pleasant Hill Church — W. T. Bradley, James Moore, J. D. Taylor, T. W. Corn, W. O. Kuykendall.
Vernon Hill Church — A. D. Davis.
Hominy Church — Levi S. Clark, R. J. Taylor.
West End Church — A. E. Brown and H. A. Brown.
Swannanoa Church — J. H. Denny.

On motion of Bro. J. T. Justice, the regular order of business was suspended, and Bro. R. J. Stokely was instructed to cast the entire vote of the Association for Brother John P. Morgan as permanent Moderator. Brother Stokely declared that Bro. John P. Morgan had been duly elected permanent Moderator of this Association for the ensuing year.

Bros. J. J. Ammons and R. J. Stokely were put in nomination for permanent Clerk for the ensuing year. Vote having been taken, Bro. R. J. Stokely was declared elected. On motion Bro. J. M. Stoner was elected Treasurer, and J. H. Tucker Historian.

Bros. A. E. Brown and J. H. Tucker were appointed as committee on Order of Business.

Brother A. E. Brown announced the following committees, to wit:

Sunday-Schools — J. M. Stoner, Thomas Stradley and L. Plemmons.

Periodicals — W. T. Bradley, G. D. Rymer, and Jno. Cordell.

Temperance — Levi S. Clark, M. S. Profitt and G. W. Gasnell.

Orphanage — W. F. Staley, James Cordell and W. S. Roberts.

Foreign Missions — O. L. Stringfield, J. D. Taylor and J. J. Greenwood.

Education — A. E. Brown, R. A. Sentell, A. M. Burlison.

State Missions — J. A. Brendell, H. A. Brown, F. R. Sluder.

Home Missions — M. Sluder, J. T. Justice, Jas. N. Morgan.

Time, Place and Preacher — Levi S. Clark, W. Roberts, J. J. Greenwood.

Woman's Work — J. H. Tucker, J. A. Brendell, F. M. Pressley.

Associational Missions — J. T. Justice, J. J. Greenwood, S. W. Guffey, A. I. Taylor L. S. Clark and W. C. Stradley.

State of Churches — W. C. Stradley, D. E. Ramsey, A. I. Ingle and A. H. Pinkerton.

B. Y. P. U.— J. G. Phillips, A. I. Justice and J. J. Ammons.

The following named visiting brethren were recognized and welcomed: R. A. Sentell, of Haywood Association, A. I. Justice, and J. M. Justice, of Carolina Association; Livingston John, Secretary of the State Mission Board, and R. Johnson, representing our Orphanage.

On motion adjourned till 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Reassembled at 2 p. m., and after devotional exercises, the introductory sermon was preached by Bro. O. L. Stringfield.

This sermon was one of great power and will long be remembered by all who heard it.

Committee on Order of Business made the following report, to wit:

Tuesday Afternoon — 2 p. m., Sermon.
3 p. m., Orphanage.
3:30 p. m., Periodcals.
4 p. m., Woman's Work.
4:30 p. m., Miscellaneous Business.

Wednesday — 9:30 a. m., Devotional Services by J. M. Justice.
10 to 10:30 a. m., Sunday-Schools.
10:30 to 11 a. m., Home Missions.
11 to 11:30 a. m., State Missions.
11:30, Sermon by Rev. J. L. White.
1:15 to 2:15 p. m., State of Churches and Associational Missions.
2:15 to 3 p. m., Foreign Missions.
3 to 3: 30, Education.
3:30 to 4 p. m., Temperance.

Thursday — 9:30 to 10 a. m., Devotional Exercises, by Bro. A. M. Burlison.
10 to 10:30 a. m., Evangelistic Work.
10:30 to 11 a. m., Miscellaneous Reports.
11 a. m., Sermon, by Bro. A. I. Justice.

On motion this report was adopted.

Committee on Orphanage made the following report:

Report on Orphanage.

During the past associational year our gracious Heavenly Father has ministered to the needs of the homeless (little ones) again. He who cares for the birds will regard the fatherless. By touching the hearts of his people with love to execute his command, namely, to "visit the fatherless." James 1:27. We demonstrate our sincere love when we aid in this noble work. There are three words that ought to stir the hearts of every Christian to greater activity, Love, Sympathy and Truth. The responsibility of loving the orphan, and showing respectful sympathy for them and imparting the truth to them devolves upon every Sunday-School and church. It has pleased the Lord to grant prosperity to the Orphanage; they have reached the number of 295 orphans. They have received during the year 77; and there have gone out 41. Five had arrived at the age for leaving, two of whom went to Wake Forest and one to Mars Hill, and the other two found employment. Twelve found homes and 19 went to their mothers or other near relatives. Five died, one from the recent scourge of measles, and four others who had drifted into anaemic condition from repeated attacks of various kinds. Also some improvements have been made which will aid materially. A year ago the drilling of a deep well was started; the depth of 300 feet found no water; it became necessary to go down to 876 feet. There they struck solid granite and an excellent vein; the test pump with a capacity of 85 or 90 gallons per minute, ran for about six hours and showed no signs of diminishing. The driller believes the well has a capacity of 150 gallons a minute. If so, the Orphanage can supply water for the town. This truly is a blessing to have much water. It is an item of interest to mention the "Dennis Simmons" bequest of $100,000, which was not quite that sum, but with notes turned over the amount is $100,000; the interest on this endowment will support 100 orphans. The Chowan building is under contract to be finished by the middle of October. Also the Rowena Whitty building is completed, which is the prettiest on the grounds. Buncombe county is well represented for there are 22 children from it and 112 from Western North Carolina. Hence you can see the importance of this work. May our dear Lord by His word and spirit impress every Sunday-School and Church to contribute more cheerfully and sytematically to the Orphanage. Respectfully submitted,

W. F. STALEY.

On motion this report was approved after interesting speeches by Bro. W. F. Staley and R. Johnson.

Pledges to the Orphanage.

First Church, Asheville..	$200.00	Big Ivy	10.00
Antioch Church	10.00	Berea	5.00
Bent Creek Church.....	2.50	Paint Fork	1.00
Beaverdam Church	15.00	Cane Creek	10.00
Black Mt. Church.....	5.00	Swannanoa	2.00
Biltmore Church	20.00	Palestine	1.00
Morgan Hill Church....	10.00	Hominy	7.00
Flat Creek Church.....	6.00	Mount Carmel	5.00
Pleasant Hill Church....	3.00	Cash collected	4.85
Macedonia Church	5.00		
West End Church.....	25.00	Total	$347.35

Report on Periodicals was read and after several interesting speeches by various brethren, same was adopted.

The report is as follows:

Periodicals.

Your committee is of the opinion that a good religious paper is one of the best educators that can come into a family.

The time has come when we as Baptists should be well up in doctrine and practice.

We most earnestly recommend the Biblical Recorder as the paper we need to give denominational information. The politician reads political papers to post himself in politics. We as a Christian people, should read God's word and religious books and papers to be posted in religious matters.

The Recorder ought to be in every Baptist home in North Carolina. There ought to be an active agent in every church to solicit subscriptions for this paper. We pastors should work harder for its circulation. Baptists are a great people, but oh, how they do need development!

We would also recommend the Foreign Mission Journal as an educator in Foreign Missions. It can be had in clubs of ten, twelve months for 25 cents.

We also recommend Charity and Children, Home Field and Skyland Baptist.

Respectfully,

W. T. BRADLEY,
J. A. CORDELL.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, That the pastor of each church in this Association appoint an active member to solicit subscriptions for our religious periodicals. Submited by W. F. Staley.

The report on Woman's Work was read and after speeches by J. H. Tucker and others same was adopted.

The report is as follows, to wit:

WOMAN'S WORK.

The Baptist women of the South, "desirous of stimulating a missionary spirit and the grace of giving among the women and children of the churches, and of aiding in the collection of funds for missionary purposes," have organized themselves into a Woman's Missionary Union. They have their officers, constitution and by-laws. They seek the earnest, systematic co-operation of all the Baptist women and children of the South. They want a society in every church and every woman in that church a member.

But comparatively few of our women are now actively at work in the unions. Yet they raised last year more than $112,000 for missions; suppose all had done their duty, the millennium would be nearer.

The time will come when the women of the South will raise a half million dollars per annum for missions. God help our women to take a part in this great work!

The women of our state raised $11,300 last year. They hope to raise $13,500 during the present year. Every woman should covet a share in this increase. Every pastor should help organize a union

and support it and every husband should help and encourage his wife in her effort.

Two special objects are called to the attention of the societies this year. The Tichenor Memorial fund is worthy of your careful consideration. He was a noble hero of the cross and fought valiantly for his Lord. The good women propose to honor his memory by establishing a fund which shall be used to help weak churches on the frontier and other places.

The second is the Jesse C. Owens' School for Boys. Bro. Owens is one of our boys. He dedicated his life to foreign missions in the First Baptist Church of Asheville. A recent letter from him states that more than 100 of his boys stand approved for baptism. His work has been marvelous, and its success inspiring, and it should stimulate all lovers of missions to greater efforts. It is costing less to save one heathen in China than a sinner in America.

The world is awakening to the religion of our Lord. The midnight of missions is past, the day dawn approaches and soon the Son of Righteousness will burst forth in his noon-day splendor. Even so, Lord Jesus, come quickly.

The women of Buncombe, when informed, will want a part in the salvation of the world. Organize, dear sisters, and let the force of your influence be felt for your Lord.

J. H. TUCKER, Chairman.
J. A. BRENDELL,
F. M. PRESSLEY.

After announcing preaching at 8:30 p. m., by Bro. J. A. Brendell, adjourned.

Bro. Brendell preached to a large congregation from the 12th verse of the 92nd Psalm. This sermon touched the hearts of the people and did lasting good.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, 1904.

Association met at 9:30 a. m.

Devotional exercises conducted by Bro. J. M. Justice, of the Carolina Association, after which the Association resumed its business session.

Brother W. L. Watkins, of the Tuckasegee Association, was recognized as a visiting brother and seated.

Committee on Sunday-Schools submitted the following report, and after interesting discussions by Bros. J. H. Tucker and Livingston Johnson, same was adopted.

Sunday-Schools.

The time has come when the Sunday-School is regarded as the life of the Church, and the Church without a Bible school will have the form of life and be dead. We believe it has been carefully estimated that about 90 per cent of those who come into our churches come through the Sunday-Schools. We often hear the Christian say, "I learned that scripture when a boy or a girl in Sunday-School." Then if the training in the Sunday-School means so much to one individual, and church life, we should wake up to the great importance of this part of church work. We know and have experienced what it means to keep a Sunday-School alive in the country through mud and

snow and rain of cold winter months, but remember it can be done through all this by selecting a superintendent, a pastor and teachers who are intensely interested in the salvation of souls. Now if this is true, then each pastor should bestir himself to see that every church in our Association has a good Sunday-School all the year. Now our Association has been divided into four district conventions and every Sunday-School is earnestly requested to co-operate most heartily in this work when the convention meets in your district.

Submitted,

J. M .STONER,
J. H. TUCKER.

The following resolution was read and after discussion by various brethren same was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, We are organizing our Sunday-School work in this State, and we believe the Sunday-Schools should support their own organization;

"Resolved, That every Sunday-School in our Association endeavor to raise the following amounts for the Sunday-School work: Submitted by J. H. Tucker:

First Church, Asheville	$15.00	Ivy Hill	.50
Antioch	3.00	Macedonia	2.00
Avery's Creek	1.00	Morgan Hill	2.00
Beaverdam	2.00	Mountain View	3.00
Bent Creek	.50	Mount Carmel	2.00
Bethel	1.00	New Salem	2.00
Berea	1.50	Oak Grove	.50
Big Ivy	2.50	Palestine	1.00
Black Mountain	1.00	Paint Fork	.50
Brown's Chapel	1.00	Pleasant Hill	1.00
Cane Creek	5.00	Vernon Hill	2.50
Chestnut Grove	1.00	Swannanoa	1.00
Biltmore	5.00	West End	5.00
Flat Creek	2.50		
Hominy	2.50	Total	$67.50

Committee on Home Missions submitted the following report, and after speeches by Bro. A. E. Brown and others, same was adopted:

Home Missions.

The Home Board employed last year 616 missionaries and added to mission churches 16,797 members. There was raised and expended on mission fields by the Board 127,850.56. The rapid growth of manfactories together with the steady increase of immigration add additional work to the Board and demands are increasing in the contributions to Home Missions. We commend the wisdom of the Board in dividing its work into departments, one of which, the department of Mountain Missions and Schools, is under the supervision of our own A. E. Brown and appeals strongly to us because we are so nearly concerned.

This Association pledges itself anew to this work and we trust our pastors will take pains to enlist the members more universally in this department of the Lord's work.

M. SLUDER.

Home Mission Pledges.

First Church, Asheville	500.00	Morgan Hill	2.50
Antioch	10.00	Mountain View	3.00
Beaverdam	20.00	Hominy	2.50
Brown's Chapel	1.00	Mount Carmel	5.00
Black Mountain	4.00	Palestine	1.00
Biltmore	20.00	Pleasant Hill	2.00
Big Ivy	6.00	Oak Grove	2.50
Berea	4.00	Swannanoa	2.00
Cane Creek	10.00	Vernon Hill	5.00
Chestnut Grove	2.00	West End	25.00
Flat Creek	2.00		
Macedonia	5.00	Total	$634.50

Committee on State Missions submitted the following report, and after speeches by Bros. Livingston Johnson, J. A. Brendell and others, same was adopted.

Report on State Missions.

A glance at the report of 1903 on State Missions, it will be seen that $26,302.80 was raised for State Missions. Last year and the year before the State Mission work was laid out on a basis of $25,000, but this year we are expected to raise $30,000.

God is to be praised for the steady growth of the great mission spirit among our people throughout the State.

Along with the increased contributions there is a greater demand upon the Baptists of North Carolina than ever before in the history of the State Mission work.

We have about 100 missionaries in the field in North Carolina and it is evident that $30,000 is far too small a sum to satisfy the demands upon the State Mission Board.

The increase of foreign population and the many new fields that are now being opened up over the different sections of the State, and the numerous factory towns and cities all call for an increase in our contributions.

Our missionaries reported last year 2,279 who professed faith in Christ. Many of the leading churches of our towns and cities throughout the State have received aid from the State Mission Board.

Last year $8,939.32 was raised for building and repairing churches. This is the increase of denominational property on mission fields in the State. It is observed that only a little over one-third of the Baptists of North Carolina contribute to State Missions, yet it is observed that last year the money invested in State Missions yielded the handsome income of 66 per cent.

Eastern Carolina is the most destitute section in the State.

We need more missionaries there as there are several counties with only a very few missionary Baptist preachers.

The middle section of the State is less destitute and better developed along the line of giving than any other part of the State.

The western section has no great scope of territory unoccupied; what is needed in this section is the development of the churches; this can perhaps be brought about only by strong energetic pastors.

We are glad, however, to note the very rapid progress along the line of giving among our mountain people.

May God lead his people on to victory throughout the State.

Your committee,

J. A. BRENDELL.

STATE MISSION PLEDGES.

First Church, Asheville	$400.00	Morgan Hill	2.50
Antioch	10.00	Mountain View	2.00
Beaverdam	15.00	Hominy	2.50
Brown's Chapel	1.00	Mount Carmel	5.00
Black Mountain	2.00	Palestine	1.00
Biltmore	15.00	Pleasant Hill	2.50
Big Ivy	10.00	Oak Grove	1.00
Beria	5.00	Vernon Hill	10.00
Cane Creek	15.00	West End	40.00
Flat Creek	5.00		
Macedonia	5.00		
Bethel	2.00	Total	$551.50

Brother J. L. White, of Rehoba Association, in the State of Georgia, was recognized and welcomed.

The Moderator announced that the hour had arrived for preaching, and we would now suspend further business until 2 o'clock p. m. After song, reading of the Scriptures and prayer, Bro. J. L. White preached from the 16th chapter of Mark and the 7th verse. This sermon was one of great power and will, no doubt, be long remembered by all who heard it.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock, p. m., Association reassembled, and after song and prayer the committee on Foreign Missions submitted its report. Brethren Stringfield, Woodall, Staley, Brendell, White and others made interesting speeches in favor of adopting the report. By motion this report was adopted and it reads as follows, to wit:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We are standing today between two of the greatest events in the history of this world — the death, resurection and ascension of our Lord and Savior, and His coming again with the livery of heaven to receive His own. "These are my words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, how that all things must needs be fulfilled, which are written in the law of Moses, and the prophets, and the Psalms concerning me." "That repentance and remission of sins should be preached to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And when he had said these things, as they were looking, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. * * * This Jesus * * * shall so come in like manner as ye beheld him going into heaven."

Between His ascension and His coming again we stand to execute His will, His last will, against all odds. Satan with all his power, using ignorance, superstition, wickedness in every form in heathen lands, prejudices, selfishness, negligence, and other sins in Christian lands.

Today, nineteen centuries since our Lord and Savior left His message for all the world, two-thirds of the human race are groping in sins, darkness and blight. For seventeen centuries wonderful progress was made in spreading the glad tidings, when we consider that the government of the world seemed to be in the hands of his satanic majesty. After a long, hard and bloody struggle, the world's gates were thrown wide open and 79,000 missionaries marched forth with the message of love for lost humanity. We, the Southern Baptist Convention, are fellow helpers in this glorious work — 353 missionaries with last year 2,076 baptisms in China, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, Japan and Argentina. As we go the Lord goes with us, crowning every effort with His blessings. Blessing those who receive His message of love, and making earth and heaven brighter to those who send God's messengers.

Never in the world's history did God's servants have so much to encourage them as they have at this time — an inviting hand extended to the gospel messenger by every nation and isle on the earth, men and women in every Christian land crying, "O, Lord, send me!" God's servants, by the thousands and millions saying, "We want to take part in the kingdom of our Lord and Savior; abundant blessings on our own heads as we endeavor to bless others.

Can we ask for greater encouragement?

To the rich and poor the message is the same, to the rich and the poor the blessing will be the same. Let each servant of God, each church, each association of churches, take the blessed task upon them.

Your committee urges the appointment of a committee to formulate plans by which we may hope to secure a contribution from every Baptist in the Association for our work in foreign lands.

Respectfully,

O. L. STRINGFIELD,
R. I. TAYLOR,
J. J. GREENWOOD.

In a conference on Foreign Mission report it was urged:

1. That we all study the New Testament on Foreign Missions.

2. That we publish as often as we can how graciously the Lord is showing His favor to Mission work.

The following churches made pledges to Foreign Missions as follows:

Asheville, First church	$1,000.00	Spring Mountain	2.50
Antioch	20.00	Morgan Hill	2.00
Bent Creek	3.50	Mountain View	2.00
Beaverdam	40.00	Hominy	2.50
Black Mountain	2.00	Mount Carmel	5.00
Biltmore	30.00	Palestine	3.00
Big Ivy	10.00	Paint Fork	1.00
Beria	15.00	Pleasant Hill	5.00
Cane Creek	20.00	V. Hill	60.00
Flat Creek	5.00	West End	55.00
Macedonia	5.00		
Gash's Creek	5.00		
Bethel	3.00	Total	$1,296.50

Individual Pledges to Foreign Missions.

R. F. Staley	$ 3.00	M. S. Profitt, pd.	1.00
J. A. Brendell	2.00	Thomas Stradley, pd.	1.00
Mrs. J. A. Brendell	1.00		
J. H. Denny, pd.	1.00		
A. I. Ingle, pd.	1.00	Total	$10.00

The following resolution was read, and by motion unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That each church of the Association is hereby urged to appoint a committee on Foreign Missions — one on Home Missions, one on State and Associated Missions, one on the Orphanage and one on periodicals. These committees are requested to take charge of each line of work as indicated, distribute literature, collect funds and to take such steps as may be necessary to advance each department of work. J. H. TUCKER.

Committee on Education submitted the following report, and after speeches in favor of its adoption by Brethren A. E. Brown, J. A. Brendell and others, same was adopted. The report reads as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Some one has wisely pointed out that the only true education is Christian education. That which trains and develops the brain alone, to the neglect of the soul, does not correctly develop the man.

With this idea in mind every Christian must be interested and must engage in the work of educating the youth of the land. We have two great tasks before us in this connection: The one is to arrouse the people to see the necessity for educating; the other is to bring an education within the reach of every youth who desires it.

The Baptists of North Carolina have not been indifferent to the work of providing means of educating their children. More than a half century ago, with small means, but large faith and high appreciation, they began to lay the foundations of Wake Forest College. Able and faithful men endured hardship while they furnished educational advantages to the Baptist boys at the lowest possible rates.

More recently equal provisions have been made for our girls in the establishment of a University for women at Raleigh. Besides these two colleges, high schools have been located at strategic points, and now there is no necessity for a boy or girl to grow up without at least high school training.

We would call special attention of our people to the excellent advantages offered by the schools at Mars Hill, Clyde and Fruitland.

We submit that no parent has a right to withhold from his child the best education it is possible to give it.

A. E. BROWN.

HISTORIANS REPORT.

The Historian submitted his report and by motion same was adopted.

Report reads as follows:—

To the Buncombe County Baptist Association.

The last session of this body was held with the church at Morgan

Hill, August 11-13, twenty-nine churches having been represented, against thirty-one the year previous.

The following brethren were present as visitors, and were greatly enjoyed — Rev. H. C. Risner and R. E. Black, of Roanoke, Ala., Rev. A. B. Thomas, representing the Biblical Recorder, and Rev. John Ammons, of the French Broad Association.

At the twenty-first session of this body, being the session held with the West End Church, 1902, Weaverville Baptist Church asked for admission to this association, which request was referred to a committee to report to the next association. The minutes fail to show any report from this committee. This association has spent considerable money on the erection of the church edifice in Weaverville, and I think this committee should report, and not allow this church to drop out of existence. This church is not mentioned in the minutes of last year.

I wish to express my appreciation of the report of the committee on the state of the churches last session, and I think it deserves more attention than it received. It is well known that a sect commonly known as the sanctificationists has done serious injury to our work in this county, and this report recites as a fact that one of our churches, which church was represented at the last session of this body,"has for a pastor a man who stands excluded from Bethel church, for holding and teaching views contrary to the doctrines of Christ." This pastor's name does not appear in the list of ordained ministers of this association. The committee also reports—" We also find that Vernon Hill church has for a pastor a man, who while holding membership in a Baptist church is not in harmony with us." It seems to me that these statements should be seriously considered, and the churches should be held to account for such undoctrinal practices. There have been several changes in pastorates during the year. Rev. W. M. Vines has resigned the First Baptist church to accept a call to the Freemason church in Norfolk, Va., where it is reported he is having eminent success. Bro. Vines was one of the ablest preachers and best pastor this county has ever had, and this is by no means a disparagement of the work of the many able, earnest and consecrated preachers we have had, or now have. He was able, earnest, eloquent, learned, zealous and faithful, and feared only God. There were no factions in the church during the last years of his pastorate, but they were an united people, ready to follow their gallant leader, as the Lord through him pointed the way. It was with an universal feeling of regret that the church gave him up.

Rev. W. B. Rutledge after a pastorate of nearly two years at West End, Asheville, has resigned, and returned to his former home at Cloverport, Ky. He will probably attend the University of Chicago during the winter. Mr. Rutledge is an earnest worker, and deserved better treatment than he received. Rev. T. Luther Brown spent last year at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville.

Rev. W. M. Lunsford, late of Waco, Texas, has become pastor of the First Baptist Church. He comes very highly recommended, and in the short time he has been here is giving very general satisfaction. We could not wish him and the church more than that he may be a worthy sucessor of the retiring pastor. Am sorry that he will not be present at this session of our association.

Rev. J. A. Brindle has moved from Franklin, in Macon county, to

Democrat, in this county, and is pastor of Morgan Hill, Antioch, Big Ivy and Black Mountain.

Rev. A. B. Thomas, of the Tuckaseegee Association, has given up his work as special representative of the Biblical Recorder, and is pastor of Macedonia and Mt. Carmel in this county.

Rev. O. L. Stringfield has to some extent suspended work on his Seminary for girls, and is pastor at Burnsville, in Yancey county, and Berea, in this county.

Rev. A. I. Justice, one of Buncombe's favored sons, but now residing at Fruitland, in Henderson county, is pastor at Cane Creek.

Dr. A. E. Brown has resigned the position af assistant corresponding secretary of State Missions, to accept the position of superintendent of mountain schools, under the direction of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. He has done a great work in the establishment of Baptist high schools in the mountain counties of this state, and this promotion is but a just recognition of his valuable services. We had the honor and pleasure to be the first to suggest his name for the position he has just given up, and we feel no hesitancy in saying that the Home Board has made no mistake in placing him in this position, and we feel confident that he will be of greater service to his Master and his people in this new and larger field, and that he will discharge the duties of his office to the entire satisfaction of the great host of Southern Baptists. He will continue to reside in West Asheville. May the Lord go with him and direct his goings and comings.

Fraternally submitted,

L. B. M'BRAYER, Historian.

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 15, 1904.

The committee on Vernon Hill church submitted its report, and on motion same was adopted. Report reads as follows:

Your committee, to whom was referred the condition of Vernon Hill church, after conferring with the representatives of that church, beg to submit the following:

We are in full sympathy with those in the church who are standing for true Bible teaching and are glad to know that the prospects are good for the church to return to harmony with their sister churches in doctrines and practices.

A. E. BROWN,
W. F. STALEY,
J. H. TUCKER.

The Treasurer submitted his report and on motion, same was adopted.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

To the Buncombe County Association, August 16, 1904:

We have collected the following moneys:

For Associational Missions	$133.41
For State Missions	30.50
For Foreign Missions	8.00
For Home Missions	6.50
For Orphanage	12.20

For ministerial education..... 4.29
For minutes 27.36
Total $222.26

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. STONER, Treasurer.

The Moderator announced preaching at 8:30 p. m., by Bro. R. F. Staley. Bro. Staley preached a magnificent sermon to a large and attentive congregation.

By motion adjourned.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 1904.

9:30 a. m., Association met and after devotional exercises for 30 minutes the business of the Association was resumed.

Committee on Associational Missions submitted its report, and after interesting speeches by Brethren O. L. Stringfield, J. M. Stoner, W. C. Stradley and others, same was adopted, which reads as follows:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

There is some fine work being done and where this work is being done the brethren are co-operating most nobly. Bro. A. B. Thomas preaches once a month Saturday and Sunday at Mt. Carmel, and Macedonia, and we learn that his work is greatly appreciated and attendance has wonderfully increased, especially at the Saturday meetings. A pastor's whole time is badly needed on this field. Bro. W. T. Bradley preaches at Pleasant Hill once a month (Saturday and Sunday) and at Flat Creek once a month, Saturday and Sunday, besides preaching at these two places, Bro. Bradley has been preaching at a mission station at Sampson's school house; not with the intention of establishing a church, but to furnish the gospel to an isolated section. Bro. Bradley says the work is very hopeful.

Bro. A. J. Justice has his work in Cane Creek valley and preaches twice a month at Cane Creek or Fairview, as it should be; he also preaches at Emelys Grove, Pleasant Grove, Spring Mountain and Miller's school house as often as possible. These churches have been greatly hindered and torn up by Holiness people.

Bro. Justice has a splendid Sunday school at Pleasant Hill and Miller's school house. Bro. Justice is working hard and skillfully to bring into the Master's work those who have been so hindered and torn up and he says light is dawning.

Bro. Brendell preaches regularly at Morgan Hill, Antioch, Barnardsville and Black Mountain, and these churches are heartily co-operating in all our work. We have collected for all this work $197.60, and have paid missionary $170.09, leaving on hand $27.51. We are due these brethren $126 and they need the money.

We would recommend to the Association that something be done for Weaverville and for all other churches in our Association which are not represented at this meeting, and that the Moderator appoint a committee on Associational work and request that committee to co-operate with the committee on state of churches, see and report at next Association the trouble.

J. M. STONER,
H. A. BROWN,
W. C. STRADLEY.

Pledges for Associational Missions.

Asheville, First church	$100.00	Ivy Hill	2.00
Antioch	15.00	Bethel	2.00
Bent Creek	2.00	Morgan Hill	5.00
Beaverdam	10.00	Hominy	2.50
Brown's chapel	2.50	Mt. Carmel	5.00
Black Mountain	5.00	Palestine	2.00
Biltmore	5.00	Pleasant Hill	2.00
Big Ivy	15.00	Swannanoa	1.00
Berea	5.00	Vernon Hill	5.00
Cane Creek	10.00	West End	15.00
Chestnut Grove	5.00	Spring Mt.	2.00
Flat Creek	5.00		
Liberty	1.00		
Macedonia	5.00	Total	$229.00

Individual Pledges.

W. C. Stradley	$5.00	F. P. Sluder	1.00
J. M. Stoner	5.00	R. J. Stokely	1.00
A. M. Burlison	3.00	Mrs. H. A. Brown	1.00
H. A. Brown	2.00	A. J. Justice	1.00
J. A. Brendell	2.00	Mrs. M. J. Miles	.50
Ora Williams	1.00	S. M. Sumner	.50
H. M. Buckner	1.00		

Bro. R. F. Staley made an appeal to the brethren to make a covenant to give during the coming year to the Lord's cause one-tenth of their income. He asked all those who would make such a covenant to come up and give to the Moderator their hands. Twenty-six came forward and made this covenant.

Committee on Obituaries submitted the following report, to-wit:

During the past year we have lost by death the following members:

Antioch church	3	Mountain View	2
Cane Creek	1	Brown's chapel	6
Macedonia	3	Pleasant Hill	1
Bethel	1	Mount Carmel	1
West End	1	Black Mountain	1
Beaverdam	1		
Big Ivy	3	Total	24

S. W. GUFFY,
JAMES TRANTHAM,
B. F. ARROWOOD,
Committee.

Committee on Time and Place reported and on motion report was adopted. Report reads as follows:

Your committee on Time and Place beg leave to report as follows: Time, Tuesday after the second Sunday in August, 1905; Place, Black Mountain Baptist church. Introductory sermon to be preached by Rev. W. F. Staley.

LEVI S. CLARK,
J. J. GREENWOOD,
W. S. ROBERTS,
Committee.

The following resolution was read, and, on motion, was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, all revivals of religion come from the reception of God's truth, and whereas, the handling of God's truth is of the very highest importance for time and eternity, therefore, Resolved,

(1) That we ask all the pastors of the churches of this Association to spend a week together in prayer and the study of God's Word.

(2) That they meet at Hominy in December and Flat Creek in January of each year.

(3) That we invite Brethren Lunsford and Stringfield to aid Bro. W. H. Woodall in leading the study of the Bible.

(4) That we ask the officers of this Association to arrange for these meetings and to secure a large attendance by personal and written invitations.

Submitted by JOHN P. MORGAN.

Brother A. J. Justice preached at 11 o'clock a. m., from Matthew 8th chapter and 3rd verse. This sermon was much enjoyed by us all. It was well delivered and full of gospel truth.

The Moderator announced after the sermon that we would finish the business of this session before we adjourned as it could be done in a few minutes.

The following resolution was read, and on motion was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That we express to the brethren and citizens of this community our very high appreciation of the general hospitality we have received during the session of this Association.

Committee on Temperance read report and on motion same was adopted.

Intemperance.

Intemperance is the blighting curse of the world.

God's word requires us to be temperate in all things, and oft-times warns us against the great evils of intemperance.

Now when we recognize that the manufacture, sale, and use of all intoxicating beverages as the source and cause of intemperance, and the most dangerous evil at the present, we are drivn to the conclusion that in the light of God's word, that it is the duty of every Christian to oppose in every consistent way the manufacture and traffic of the curse.

It is the duty of this body to maintain strict discipline in our churches and urge our churches to guard the purity of their members, and see that no member remains in the church who follows even dram-drinking, and be satisfied with nothing short of absolute prohibition. Your committee,

LEVI S. CLARK.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this Association does now and commit itself to the destruction of the liquor traffic, and to this end we pledge ourselves, not to support any man for any office who does not commit himself to the destruction of the traffic.

Report of committee on B. Y. P. U. was read, and on motion same was adopted.

Report of B. Y. P. U.

At the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention at Asheville Bro. J. W. Bailey spoke of the B. Y. P. U. as the "defunct adjunct" of the Convention. A reference to the minutes of last year seems to confirm Bro. Bailey's statement at least as relates to Buncombe county. We trust that there are many, but your committee knows of only five: First Church, Asheville, West End, Cane Creek, and two in Bro. W. F. Staley's churches. A work for young people and by young people ought not to be, and we believe, is not dead. The purpose of this organization is too high and ennobling not to command our respect and most hearty support. Our Northern brethren are being greatly blessed by this work. It is developing and training them for strong leaders. Organization and development is the one crying need in this beautiful Southland. Your committee recommends that a suitable man be appointed by this Association in each of the four Sunday school districts to organize new Baptist Young People's Unions in their bounds and report at the next Association.

Respectfully submitted,

A. I. JUSTICE, Ch'm'n Com.

On motion our Treasurer was authorized to draw on "Associational Mission Fund" for any balance that may be due for printing minutes.

A motion prevailed to allow Bro. R. J. Stokely the sum of ten dollars for his services as clerk.

The following chairmen of committees for year 1905 were named: Sunday schools, J. H. Tucker; Periodicals, J. M. Stoner; Orphanage, L. S. Clark; State of Churches, J. T. Justice; Temperance, W. T. Bradley; Foreign Missions, J. A. Brendell; State Missions, O. L. Stringfield; Education, A. E. Brown; Home Missions, W. F. Staley; Woman's Work, W. C. Stradley; B. Y. P. U., J. L. Jarvis.

Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention: Wm. Lunsford, J. M. Stoner.

Delegates to State Convention: A. E. Brown, J. H. Tucker, W. C. Stradley.

Executive Board: J. T. Justice, W. M. Hamrick, R. J. Stokely, J. M. Stoner.

A motion prevailed to adjourn to meet at time and place reported by committee.

The Moderator announced that we would now sing some familiar song and he wanted to grasp the hands of all the brethren before we closed and he wanted us to wind up this glorious session with a general hand-shake; said he attended the first session of this Association twenty-three years ago and had attended nearly every session since that time, but he did not hope to be present at many more of its annual meetings.

Every one sang that good old song, "How Firm a Foundation," and as they sang they passed around and gave each other their hand, tears could be seen on nearly every cheek, and in their faces were pictured a hope of meeting where parting will be no more.

Benediction by Bro. O. L. Stringfield.

CHURCH STATISTICS

Churches	Clerks	Postoffices	Sabbath Meetings	Baptisms	Received by letters	Restored	Letters Granted	Excluded	Deaths	Ordained Ministers	Male Members	Female Members	Total Memb'h'p	Value of Church Property
Antioch	J. P. Dillingham	Democrat	3	4	5		11	2	3	3	72	106	178	$ 800
Asheville First Ch	C. S. Davis	Asheville		77	58	3	23	7		2			889	52000
Beaverdam	E. P. Stradley	R. D. No. 1, Ash'e	2&4			1	4	3	1	1	17	28	45	1000
Bent Creek	Mrs. Z. V. Green	Inanda	3		2	1	3	1			17	22	39	
Berea	J. A. Cardell	Riceville	1		5		1	4		1	20	43	63	1800
Bethel	L. C. Plemmons	Emma	4	1	5		2	3	1		27	48	75	250
Big Ivy	A. I. Ingle	Democrat	2	2	8		8	1	3	2	87	100	187	3500
Biltmore	C. A. Whitaker	Biltmore	1&3	8	2		5			1	16	69	85	5000
Black Mountain	E. Burlison	Barnardsville	4				1	4	1		46	43	89	800
Brown's Chapel	J. W. Ingle	Beech	1&3		1		2		6	1	23	33	56	900
Cane Creek	R. A. Morgan	Fairview	2&4	6	2	2	10	8	1		69	109	178	1600
Flat Creek	Chas Roberts	Homerville	1	.5	6	1	8		1		55	69	124	1200
Hominy	L. S. Clark	Candler		10	6	1	1	2		2	64	78	142	
Macedonia	H. C. Hawkins	Juno	2		2		9		1		45	74	119	400
Mountain View	J. L. Burnett	Black Mountain	2		1	2	3	3	2		30	45	75	500
Morgan Hill	J. Burgan Morgan	Morgan Hill	3	9	8	1		1		1	53	64	127	1000
Mount Carmel	D. E. Ramsey	Juno	1					6	1	1	33	41	74	800
Paint Fork	S. S. Harwood	Barnardsville	3	13		3	7				19	32	51	
Palestine	James Kilpatrick		1	4						1	14	12	26	
Pleasant Hill	J. D. Taylor	Alexander	3		6		10		1		38	48	86	300
Spring Mountain	Emil Skerstan	Fairview	3	10	3	2	1	4			19	26	45	500
Swannanoa			4								8	14	22	1000
Vernon Hill	A. D. Davis		4	2	4	1		4			10	25	38	1000
West Asheville			1										50	
West End	W. C. Pennell	Asheville	Each	14	2	1	8	1	1		68	158	233	6000
Totals				165	123	19	117	54	23	16	850	1297	3095	80350

FINANCIAL

Churches	Pastors	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Poor	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign
Antioch	J. A. Brendell	$ 125	$	$ 6		$ 12	$ 17	$ 18	$
Asheville First Ch.	Wm. Lunsford	2500	848	1444	217	100	400	500	1
Beaverdam	W. F. Staley	150	5	12		19	11	21	
Bent Creek		15				2	2		
Berea	O. L. Stringfield	100	7	5		5	5	3	
Bethel	C. C. Club	30							
Big Ivy	J. A. Brendell	200	431		109	10			
Biltmore	W. F. Staley	400	14	48	5	10	15	15	
Black Mountain	J. A. Brendell	50	35			5	2	2	
Brown's Chapel	J. A. Bradley	40			1			1	
Cane Creek	A. I. Justice	150		25		10	13	14	
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradley	50		37		5	5		
Hominy	M. R. N. Caldwell	94		4	3	5	3	2	
Macedonia	A. B. Thomas	65	25		10	7	8	7	
Mountain View	F. M. Presley	65				8	2		
Morgan Hill	J. A. Brendell	75		18		10	5	5	
Mount Carmel	A. B. Thomas	100		12	3	5	5		
Paint Fork	M. S. Proffit	20						2	
Palestine	F. M. Presley	25				1			
Pleasant Hill	W. T. Bradley	40		13		2	2		
Spring Mountain	F. M. Presley	35							
Swannanoa		36						2	
Vernon Hill	S. I. Keeler	100	5	10	3				
West End		600	45	140	10		44	30	
West Asheville Ch	C. C. Club								
	Totals	$ 5065	$ 1415	$ 1774	$ 361	$ 216	$ 539	$ 622	$

TABLE.

[illegible]	Music	Orpanage	Colleges and Schools	Ministerial Education	Other Objects	Through W. M. S.	Through L. A. S.	Through B. Y. P. U.	Minutes.	Y. L. M. S.	Through S. S.	
10	$	$ 24	$	$ 15	$ 25	$ 23	$	$ 11			$ 25	$
43		252	400	100	1431	141	53				1399	10260
		15			24	22					65	325
		3									6	33
		11									9	155
												30
	54	16	34									854
16		15	5	6	45	21					52	657
1		2									2	99
		1									4	47
3		5				30		2			15	283
		2			1						4	109
					7							133
		7	2			6					17	160
												76
		5		5							19	147
		5									8	144
1												24
		1										28
		5									8	73
		1										37
											4	42
		6			27						10	278
		59	10								30	998
74	$ 54	$ 435	$ 451	$ 126	$ 1560	$ 893	$ 53	$ 13			$ 1677	$14991

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Schools.	Superintendents.	Officers and Teachers	Number of Scholars	Average Attendance	Volumes in Library	Quarterlies & papers taken	Months kept open	Professions in school	Orphanage	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Poor	Church Building	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	Associational Missions	Colleges and Schools	No. Baptisms	Other Objects	S. S. Missions
Asheville First Ch	J. H. Tucker	35	450	375	388		12		$ 118 00	$	$77 00	$ 227 00		$ 269 00	$ 436 00	$ 271 00	$		75		
Antioch	G. D. Carter	15	180	60		223	12		6 00							19 00			4		
Beaverdam	R. F. Drummond	9	75	46		93	12		8 00			38 00				19 00					
Bent Creek	N. B. Creasman	8	51			30	12									6 00					
Berea	J. A. Cordell	6	51	40		55	12		7 00							9 00	2 00				
Bethel	Alice McKinish	3	25	20			12														
Big Ivy	A. I. Ingle	7	186	112				4								18 00					
Biltmore	A. S. Whitaker	8	75	67						6 00							5 00				
Black Mountain	F. M. Haynes.	9	51	45	4		9														
Brown Chapel	J. N Swan	9	40	30		160	12									4 00					
Cane Creek	S. J. Ashworth	8	110	80		100	12		5 00										3		
Flat Creek	M, B. Spevy	9	59	36		45	12														
Hominy	Levi S. Clark	9	89	60		100	12												7		
Macedonia	R. H. Embler	9	80	60		160	12														
Mountain View	J. W. Burnett	7	40	35		40	12														
Morgan Hill	B. F. Arrowood	7	104	65		105	12									19 00					
Mt. Carmel	L. D. Brookshire	8	65	44		52	12		5 00							8 00					
Paint Fork	S. J. Harwood	6	81	60			12														
Palestine	Wesley Presley	3	49	35				4								3 00					
Pleasant Hill	R. W. Buckner	6	60	30		60	12		3 00												
Spring Mountain	W. V. Wilson	4	28	30		20	6												2		
Swannanoa	W. H. Wright	3	68	33		40	12									4 00					
Vernon Hill	E. J. Rhodes	7	75	40		80	12		5 00			40 00				10 00					
West End	J. B. Grice	12	303	140		416	12														
	Totals	206	2395	1545	392	779	243	8	$ 157 00	$ 6 00	$77 00	$ 305 00		$ 269 00	$ 436 00	$ 390 00	$ 7 00		91		

CONSTITUTION.

Article I—Name.

Section 1.— This body shall be known as "The Buncombe County Baptist Association."

Article II—Constituency.

Section 1.— This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the Church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for; Provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Section 2.— Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-five.

Section 3.— The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association until its final adjournment.

Article III.

Section 1.— The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the Church letters and the enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Section 2.— The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mill's Parliamentary Practice.

Section 3.— It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association, and pay them out on the order of the same.

Section 4.— It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

Article IV—Object.

Section 1.— It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday-schools, Church Extension, and Temperance.

Article V—Committees.

Section 1.— At each Annual Meeting, the Moderator shall appoint the following Committees: Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State and Associational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday-schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the Association, and such other Committees as the Association may direct.

Section 2.— It shall be the duties of the Committees to report in writing on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

Article VI—Executive Board.

Section 1.— This Association, at each Annual Meeting, shall appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethren,

whose duty it sholl be to co-operate with the Mission Board of North Carolina Baptist Convention in supplying the destitute within our bounds.

Article VII—Church Letters.

Section 1.— The Church letters shall give the following information, to wit: Name of Church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their post-offices; number baptized; received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and number of deaths during the year; number and sex of members; time of prayer-meetings; amount paid for pastor's salary; incidental expenses, home missions, foreign missions, education, Sunday-school and Bible missions; and if for any other object, to be noted.

Report of Sunday-schools to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kinds of papers used in the Sunday-schools; name and post-office of the superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

Article VIII—By-Laws.

Section 1.— This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's "Manual of Parliamentary Practice."

Article IX—Meeting.

Section 1.— This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article X—Printing.

Section 1.— Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI—Correspondence.

Section 1.— This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII—Faith.

Section 1.— This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform, and the only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Section 2.— Asan abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

Article XIII—Amendment.

Section 1.— This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

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Historian, W. F. Bradley.....Morgan Hill, N. C.

Ordained Ministers.

Anderson, J. W.....Asheville, N. C.
Bradley, W. T.....Morgan Hill, "
Brendell, J. A.....Democrat, "
Brown, A. E.....Asheville, "
Brown, T. K.....Riceville, "
Cordell, J. C.....Beech "
Creasman, William .....Asheville, "
Haynes, William .....Grace, "
Hoke, B. L.....Asheville, "
Hooker, W. H., R. F. D. No. 2.....Alexander "
Justice, A. I.....Fairview, "
Lunsford, William .....Asheville, "
Morgan, E. J.....Candler, "
Morgan, S. J.....Morgan Hill, "
Moore, S. F.....Fairview, "
Owen, S. C.....Candler, "
Pressley, F. M.....Skyland "
Pickens, J. M.....Alexander, "
Proffit, M. S.....Democrat, "
Robertson, W. A.....Barnardsville, "
Rutledge, W. B.....Asheville, "
Sluder, M. S., R. F. D. No. 4.....Asheville "
Whitaker, A. S.....Biltmore, "

PROCEEDINGS

The Buncombe County Baptist Association met in its twenty-fourth annual session with Black Mountain Baptist Church, August 15, 1905, and was called to order promptly at 11 o'clock, a. m., by Bro. John P. Morgan, Moderator; and after devotional services the Moderator announced that he thought it advisable to have the introductory sermon preached before the Association proceed to organize, inasmuch as a large number of delegates had not yet arrived.

A motion prevailed to have sermon preached immediately. Bro. W. F. Staley, who was appointed at last session to preach this sermon, not being present, Bro. S. W. Hall, representing the North Carolina Baptist, was asked to preach.

Brother Hall took for his text the 14th, 15th and 16th verses of the third chapter of John, and preached a sermon of great power, which was listened to with marked attention, and appreciated by all who heard it.

At close of sermon, adjournment for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Reassembled at 1 o'clock, p. m., and after song and prayer, Association proceeded to organize.

On motion of Bro. J. T. Justice, the regular order of business was suspended, and Bro. John P. Moragn was unanimously re-elected Moderator for ensuing year.

By motion R. J. Stokely was unanimously re-elected Clerk for ensuing year.

By motion, John M. Stoner was unanimously re-elected Treasurer and Rev. W. T. Bradley Historian, for ensuing year.

Brothers W. T. Bradley and F. M. Burnett were appointed to act as Reading Clerks.

Brethren J. H. Tucker, F. M. Burnett and the pastor and delegates of Black Mountain Church were appointed a committee on Order of Business.

The following named visiting brethren were recognized and given a hearty welcome: Bro. Edwards, representing the Biblical Recorder; Bro. Hall, representing the North Carolina Baptist; Bro. L. J. Ammon, from French Broad Association; Bro. Caldwell, from Haywood County Association; Bro. Ballard, from Free-Will Baptist Church.

Letters were read from the following named Churches and delegates' names enrolled:

Asheville, First Church —J. H. Tucker, R. J. Stokely, J. M. Stoner, J. T. Justice, Mrs. J. T. Justice, Powell Tucker, G. D. Carter, Miss Draughn.

Antioch Church — P. M. Leven, J. H. Woodward, Erastus Carter, M. S. Proffit, T. C. Morgan, Anderson Burrell, John Carson, R. D. Buckner, Horace Carter, W. T. Bradley, J. A. Brendell, Mrs. Horace Carter.

Beaverdam Church — Wm. Haynes.

Berea Church — J. A. Cordell, W. W. Shope, H. S. Gragg, Osie Allison.

Bent Creek Church — W. H. Hooker.

Black Mountain Church — F. M. Haynes, E. W. Haynes, Ellis Burlison.

Avery's Creek Church — F. B. Johnson, L. O. Ingram, W. H. Hooker.

Hominy Church — Levi S. Clark, R. P. Taylor, E. Morgan, Rev. M. R. N. Caldwell.

Macedonia Church — J. G. Rhymer, H. C. Hawkins, T. J. Cook, H. B. Miles, J. M. Ratcliff.

Morgan Hill Church — J. P. Morgan, J. H. Fisher, L. G. Morgan, J. N. Morgan, B. F. Arrowood, Wm. Robertson, J. Y. Gentry.

Mountain View Church — F. M. Burnett, Miss Della Burnett, Miss Sopha Burnett, S. A. Witson, J. A. Walker.

Pleasant Hill Church — W. T. Bradley, J. D. Taylor, John Stiles, W. O. Kuykendall, R. W. Buckner.

Swannanoa Church — J. H. Deney, A. W. H. Wright.

Spring Mountain Church — S. W. Guffey, W. V. Wilson, Will Saler.

Liberty Church — I. W. Holcombe, W. W. Green, L. W. Young.

Vernon Hill Church — E. J. Rhodes, A. D. Davis.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

Sunday-Schools — J. H. Tucker, T. C. Morgan and F. M. Burnett.

Orphanage — Levi S. Clark, J. N. Morgan and B. F. Arrowood.

Periodicals — J. M. Stoner, J. A. Brendell, J. G. Rymer.

State of the Churches — W. T. Justice, W. T. Bradley, W. H. Hooker.

Temperance — W. T. Bradley, H. B. Miles, Dolph Burlison.

Foreign Missions — J. A. Brendell, J. J. Greenwood, I. N. Taylor.

State Missions — O. L. Stringfield, S. J. Morgan, J. Y. Gentry.

Education — A. E. Brown, Erastus Carter, F. M. Burnett.

Home Missions — A. I. Justice, Judson Carter, J. H. Fisher.

Woman's Work — M. R. N. Caldwell, R. D. Buckner, Miss A. E. Draughn.

B. Y. P. U. — F. M. Burnett, Dolph Burleson, M. L. Proffit.

Committee on Sunday-Schools made the following report, to-wit:

Sunday-Schools.

No Church can do its best work that neglects its Sunday-School. It is both the teaching and the recruiting station of the Church. Its officers and teachers are the pastor's assistants. Without it no Church or denomination can long survive. From it come trained workers for the Church, and in it most Christians dedicate themselves to the Master under the instructions of some Godly teacher. It behooves the Church to guard well their Sunday-Schools. The activity of the Sunday-School will measure with accuracy the increase of the Church, and the spirituality of the Church will manifest itself in the Sunday-

School. Our Churches without active Sunday-Schools are apparently dead, and will so continue until they realize from whence their increase cometh.

The Sunday-School District Conventions were organized in 1900. Since that time the average attendance in our schools has increased 44.4 per cent. This increase has come from those Sunday-Schools cooperating with the conventions. Those holding aloof have decreased in enrollment and average attendance. We urge all the Sunday-Schools of the Association to join this convention work.

During this summer we have held four Sunday-School Institutes, at Mount Carmel, Asheville, Antioch and Fairview. These were conducted by B. W. Spellman and Hugh C. Moore. Most excellent work was done at Antioch. Hon. J. Y. Joyner and Prof. John E. Ray, of Raleigh, gave valuable and entertaining addresses. Brethren Spillman and Moore spent several days with us and Joyner and Ray were with us three days.

Our Sunday-Schools have contributed to the State Sunday-School Mission work this year, and this has enabled us to procure the services of the experts in our Institute work.

We commend this work and urge all Sunday-Schools to contribute to it.

J. H. TUCKER,
T. C. MORGAN,
F. M. BURNETT,

On motion, this report was approved, after having been ably discussed by J. H. Tucker and F. M. Burnett.

Committee on Order of Business made the following report:

Tuesday — 11:00 a. m., Organization.
1:30 p. m., Sunday-Schools.
2:30 p. m., Periodicals.
3:15 p. m., State Missions.
8:00 p. m., Sermon by W. T. Bradley.

Wednesday — 9:30 a. m., Devotional Exercises by A. M. Burleson.
9:45 a. m., Temperance.
10:30 a. m., Education.
11:30 a. m., Foreign Missions.
12:00 m., One Hour for Dinner.
1:00 p. m., B. Y. P. U.
1:30 p. m., Home Missions.
2:00 p. m., State of the Churches.
4:00 p. m., Woman's Work.
8:00 p. m., Sermon.

Thursday — 9:30 a. m., Devotional Exercises.
10:00 a. m., Miscellaneous Reports.
12:00 m., Adjournment.

By motion, report was adopted.

Committee on Periodicals Submitted its report.

Brother Edwards, of the Biblical Recorder, made an earnest appeal for the brethren to stick to the Recorder.

Brother Hall, of the North Carolina Baptist, spoke in behalf of his paper.

Brethren Levi S. Clark, W. T. Bradley and John P. Morgan spoke

in favor of the resolution. On motion the report was adopted, and the same reads as follows, to-wit:

Periodicals.

If our Baptist membership would read our denominational periodicals our fields of operation would be abundantly supplied with money to carry on the work and our pastors would always have the hearty support and much needed sympathy in his labor. We therefore earnestly recommend, first, the Biblical Recorder, then North Carolina Baptist, Charity and Children, Foreign Mission Journal Home Field and Skyland Baptist.

Recognizing the fact that so few of our great Baptist host ever read any religious periodicals, we would urge our pastors to preach, teach, and work for our religious periodicals.

Respectfully,

J. M. STONER.

Bro. Joshua Stradley, of Oxford, N. C., was introduced and given a hearty welcome.

Committee on State Missions submitted the following report, and after two great speeches by Brethren O. L. Stringfield and Joshua Stradley, same was unanimously adopted. Report reads as follows:

State Missions.

"Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever." What was pleasing to Him the first years of the Christian era is pleasing to Him the last years. He is the same to "all generations" in his love for the lost, and in His plans for their salvation. "Ye shall be witnesses to me in Judea, Samaria and to the uttermost part of the earth."

The Lord divided missions into three sections—Judea, State Missions. We began years ago with only a few "witnesses." What a wonderful increase! Look at us from Manteo to Murphy—faithful men of God who have gladly turned their backs on much gold and silver to spend their lives in povertyfor the sake of bearing "witness to the truth," to the people of our own glorious North Carolina.

Abount one hundred ministers are now under the appointment of the State Mission Board, with an expenditure of twenty-five thousand dollars. The urgent demands are growing for more men and more money. We are not to go before the Lord, but to enter every door He opens. We have room in the state for one hundred more faithful ministers. The Board does not appoint them unless our people over the State shall provide the means.

North Carolina is cursed with all sorts of isms, and nowhere in the State is this curse more complete than in the eastern section. To double our subscriptions to this special work would so please Him who died for our sins.

The greatest privilege known to man is to aid—take part in the salvation of the lost.

"Over the mountains, dark and cold,
He came to bring the lost ones back to His fold."

Respectfully submitted,

O. L. STRINGFIELD,
S. J. MORGAN,
J. Y. GENTRY.

Adjourned.

W. T. Bradley preached at 8 o'clock, p. m., from the 11th chapter of Matthew and the 28th verse. A good congregation was out, and a most excellent gospel sermon preached and at the close of the sermon an invitation was given to all present who had purposed in their heart to seek Christ in the forgiveness of their sins to indicate same by standing or extending to the preacher their hand. Several came forward and gave their hand under this invitation.

WEDNESDAY'S SESSION.

Met promptly at 9:30 a. m.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. Joshua Stradley, of Oxford, N. C.

By motion, the reading of the minutes was postponed.

The Moderator announced the following committee on time and place: Levi S. Clark, J. N. Morgan, W. A. Robertson and W. M. Wright.

Letters from the following named churches and the names of delegates enrolled:

West End Church — Rev. R. L. Hoke, A. E. Brown, W. E. Logan, J. S. Harper, A. B. Jones.

Palestine Church — M. C. Pressley, James Kilpatrick.

Oak Grove Church — B. T. Buckner, Mrs. M. S. Buckner, W. H. Hooker.

Committee on Foreign Missions submitted the following report; and after enthusiastic and interesting speeches by W. T. Bradley, O. L. Stringfield, J. H. Tucker, Caldwell and others, same was unanimously adopted:

Foreign Missions.

Some of the last words of our blessed Saviour to His apostles are recorded in Mark, 16th chapter and 11th verse: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature; he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." We today are under obligations to carry out this command according to the teachings of God's word. We have much to encourage us in reading the reports of the work done on the Foreign Mission fields during the last year. The work has far exceeded any previous year. A number of new churches have been arganized and new stations opened for work. The Foreign Mission Board reported that it had received from our "Home Land" the sum of $283,415.88 during the last conventional year, which exceeds any collections in the history of the Board. That all accounts have been paid in full, notwithstanding the work had been enlarged and extended in many ways. The Woman's Missionary Union also shows a fine report for the last year. The total expenses of the Board at Richmond, Va., last year were about 6 per cent. and for collecting in the states less than 4 per cent. So the whole expense of collecting and disbursing the money contributed last year for Foreign Missions by the Foreign Mission Board was less than 10 per cent. More than 90 per cent of the money contributed through the Board went to the missionaries on the field.

Reports show the largest receipts, largest number of converts, and largest number of missionaries ever sent out in one year. Report from Africa last year shows 355 baptisms. The work in China is more

hopeful than ever before, great crowds attend the services; 710 baptisms reported. The publishing house at Canton is doing a splendid work.

The missionaries in Japan report good work, and the future looks hopeful.

Eight hundred and sixty-six baptisms reported from Brazil. Great progress is being made in Italy, 121 baptisms reported. The Theological Training School is doing a great work there. This school is conducted by Dr. Taylor, who went as a missionary to this field during the year 1873. Work in Mexico reported to be progressing and outlook favorable; 137 baptisms reported.

Ten years ago we had 91 missionaries; now we have 181. Then we had 89 native helpers; now 269. Then 85 churches on the field; now 194. Then 22 church buildings; now 132. Then 1,503 Sunday-School scholars; now 5,496. Then 581 baptisms for year; now 2,231. Then total membership after fifty years' work 3,493; now 11,523. Then the contributions for the year were $135,435; this year it was $283,415.88.

We have now on the missionary field ten physicians, ten hospitals and several dispensaries.

We are gratified to know that our contributions for Foreign Missions in North Carolina are gradually increasing each year.

Let us lighten our cords and strengthen our stakes and do our whole duty as servants of the King. Our blessed Master said, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory if the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. BRADLEY.

Pledges to Foreign Missions.

Asheville, First church	$1,050.00	Hominy	2.50
Antioch	10.00	Liberty	2.50
Avery's Creek	4.00	Morgan Hill	5.00
Beaverdam	40.00	Mount Carmel	5.00
Berea	20.00	Macedonia	5.00
Bent Creek	5.00	Mountain View	5.00
Bethel	2.50	Oak Grove	3.00
Big Ivy	10.00	Palestine	2.00
Black Mountain	5.00	Pleasant Hill	5.00
Biltmore	30.00	Swannanoa	1.00
Brown's Chapel	2.00	Spring Mountain	2.50
Cane Creek	25.00	Vernon Hill	25.00
Chestnut Grove	2.00	West End	50.00
Flat Creek	6.00		
Gash's Creek	15.00	Total	$1,440.00

Individual Pledges to Foreign Missions.

Levi S. Clark	$2.50
J. H. Holcombe	1.00
Total	$3.50

Letters from the following churches were read and names of delegates enrolled:

Flat Creek — J. H. Harris, W. G. McLean, C. W. Roberts, M. B. Spivey and T. B. Redmon.

Cane Creek — A. H. Pinkerton, Wm. Wright, J. L. Ashworth, H. V. Freeman, P. O. Merrell, G. W. Sales, Rev. A. I. Justice.

Brown's Chapel — J. W. Ingle, L. M. Revis, J. S. Rhea.

Committee on Temperance submitted the following report. J. A. Brendell, Joshua Stradley, J. N. Morgan and J. H. Tucker all made enthusiastic speeches in favor of this report. On motion, the report was unanimously adopted:

Temperance.

Much has been said on the subject of intemperance, but saying without doing will never remove this awful curse from the face of the earth.

The sad fact is that this great curse is increasing and is laying its iron grasp upon the tender youth of our fair land. Even the strongest of the strong bow under this mighty sceptre. The whiskey traffic has become the king evil of all the world. Figures show that last year 20 gallons of intoxicating drinks were consumed per capita in the United States. There were 100,000 widows and orphans last year left in the United States, because the husband and father filled the drunkard's grave and their souls consigned to a drunkard's hell.

More than 250,000 of our American people die a drunkard's death annually in our own land. More than 250,000 people are found in the insane asylums of the United States. This great monster destroys respectability, dethrones reason, and ultimately destroys both soul and body.

Four weeks ago investigations by the board of health in Philadelphia showed that out of 175 children that died in the city during the terrible hot weather, 165 of the deaths were due directly or indirectly to liquor.

In the face of these sad facts there is but one hope for our country, and that is through Jesus Christ. This deadly stuff is constantly dealt out because heartless men love money more than lost souls.

Men, women and children gulp down this awful stuff to stop the thirst of that morbid appetite which is so rapidly destroying the human family..

We do most earnestly insist that every professed Christian who casts a ballot see to it that they vote for only temperance men; and that all Christians and all who are in favor of temperance unite themselves and fight this evil to the finish.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. BRENDELL.

Adjournment for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met at 1 o'clock, p. m. After song service and prayer by Bro. A. I. Justice, the Committee on Education submitted report. Brethren O.

L. Stringfield and A. M. Burleson and others made exceedingly good speeches in favor of the adoption of the report.

By motion this report was adopted. The report reads as follows, to-wit:

Report on Education.

The school is the most important of human institutions, because it holds the first real experience of social contact, of free intercourse with other minds and lives coming from different households and embodying different strains of blood. That which develops the mental and not the spiritual is not real education, for in education in its ideal form, we have three phases—mental, physical and the moral or spiritual. How vitally important then is it that we place our child where these factors are alike developed. Baptists know that the best place to train Baptist boys and girls is in Baptist schools. Your committee would call especial attention to the work done by Mars Hill, Fruitland, Clyde and the other Baptist country schools in Western North Carolina. It is a deplorable fact that we have no denominational schools in Buncombe.

Respectfully submitted,
F. M. BURNETT,
ERASTUS CARTER.

Committee on Woman's Work submitted following report and after able speeches by Rev. Caldwell and others, same was adopted.

Woman's Work.

Today, all over our land, almost in every Church of any consequence, and many smaller ones, can be felt the revivifying and purifying effects of organized, consecrated missionary women.

Women are offering themselves to this particular department of Christian effort more enthusiastically than ever before, proving that the command, "Go ye into all the world and teach all nations," is as imperative to woman as to man.

It is singular that all through the Christian dispensation women have not taken active part in sending the Gospel to all the world. One needs to study but little of the characters of the Old and New Testaments to realize that women in those days were largely instrumental in circulating the news of the Promise and its fulfilment. Jochebed, Hannah, Elizabeth, the two Marys and many others are examples of shining lights of Christian endeavor.

Woman's Missionary societies were first formed because of the restrictions placed upon heathen women by their social customs, which debarred them from hearing men missionaries preach. The aim of the women has always been to co-operate with our Mission Boards in sending woman missionaries to teach heathen women. Even to this day women are harder to reach with the Gospel in heathen lands than are the men. However, by the efforts of our consecrated women missionaries, the barriers are being broken down and they enter without question the once closed doors of many nations.

As women's influence goes farther than anything else toward molding public sentiment, if she can be won to the truth the viewpoint of the whole nation will be changed.

Since the Woman's Missionary Union was organized seventeen years ago, Southern Baptist women have not only heard, but heeded

God's call to "go forward," and their success has far surpassed the most sanguine expectations. One hundred and thirty-eight thousand, three hundred and ninety-nine dollars and sixty-five cents was raised last year by our Southern Baptist women for the various missions. In our own State $14,287.93, an increase of nearly three thousand dollars over the previous year. One hundred and one new societies were added last year.

What Baptist among us is not proud of our noble women who are doing such excellent work for our Master?

It is to be hoped that every Church in our State will have a missionary society and every woman a member. None of our good women should neglect this opportunity of doing much good for our God.

Will not every woman in our Association hear and heed the message sent out by the Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union to the State officers?

"Be strong, we are not here to play, to dream, to drift!
We have hard work to do and loads to lift!
Shun not the struggle, face it, 'tis God's gift."

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. N. CALDWELL,
Committee.

By motion the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we, the Buncombe County Association, respond most heartily to the desire for a school of high grade for our girls and a nearby school for our boys, and do hereby appoint a committee of twelve brethren to select a location for said school buildings, and otherwise arrange for the establishment of such school.

Committee: W. A. Robertson, A. I. Ingle, R. D. Buckner, J. J. Greenwood, J. N. Morgan, W. T. Bradley, J. M. Stoner, W. S. Roberts, J. T. Justice, J. D. Taylor, A. I. Justice, Wm. Haynes.

Committee on State of the Church submitted report. The following named brethren made interesting talks on this report: J. T. Justice, J. A. Brendell, A. I. Justice, F. M. Burnett, J. N. Morgan, E. J. Rhodes, A. B. Jones and J. H. Holcombe. By motion the following report was adopted:

State of the Church.

A full and correct report of the state of our churches to this Association would burn us with shame Space is too small to tell it all.

1. We have twenty-one ordained ministers in this Association and only six are present at this meeting, five of whom live in this community. The pew will not rise above the pulpit.

2. While most of our churches are represented by letter, many have no delegates present.

3. There are 232 baptisms reported by the churches this year against 168 last year; this is a net increase of 7 per cent.

4. The letters show that we raised for all purposes this year the sum of $13,400 against $15,000 last year.

We find that the following churches are without pastors: Vernon Hill, Gash's Creek, Weaverville, Beaverdam and Biltmore.

6. The churches working under the co-operative plan are in good condition. They are alive to the denominational work and their reports show good spiritual condition.

7. Many of the churches are too weak financially and numerically

to support a pastor. These churches as a rule, "having a name to live but are dead."

8. The spiritual condition of our churches is discouraging. So many of our churches are doing nothing it leaves them an easy prey to every ism and wind of doctrine that blows that way. New and strange doctrines have crept into some of our churches. These doctrines have tainted and in many instances wrecked the old faith of the fathers and wrecked the churches. These fads will die, but God's work will go on and triumph. Have faith in God. Remove not the ancient land-marks which thy fathers have set.

The letters show that many churches pay such small salaries that pastors cannot afford to serve them. A pastorless church as a rule is a dead church.

The Vernon Hill church has for some time had a pastor who led his church into many errors as Baptists hold. He has resigned his pastorate, left the State and joined a society called "Friends." Vernon Hill is to be congratulated. Her prospects are now brighter than for many years. They are preparing to enlarge and repair their house of worship. We are expecting the hearty co-operation of this church in the future. Bethel, Macedonia, New Salem, Mount Carmel, Emmaus Grove and some other of our churches have been more or less affected by some who profess lives of sinlessness. This will run its course soon and we hope for an early return of these our brethren and sisters reunited and with renewed strength and faith they will come back. Be patient with them, brethren.

J. T. JUSTICE,
W. T. BRADLEY,
W. H. HOOKER,
Committee.

Pledges by Churches for Associated Missions.

Asheville, First Church	$400.00	Hominy	5.00
Antioch	20.00	Liberty	4.00
Avery's Creek	1.00	Morgan Hill	20.00
Beaverdam	25.00	Mount Carmel	10.00
Berea	15.00	Macedonia	7.50
Bent Creek	3.00	Mountain View	10.00
Biltmore	20.00	Pleasant Hill	2.50
Black Mountain	10.00	Spring Mt.	2.50
Big Ivy	30.00	Vernon Hill	10.00
Brown's Chapel	5.00	West End	25.00
Cane Creek	40.00		
Flat Creek	12.50		
Gashes Creek	10.00	Total	$638.00

Individual Pledges.

Levie S. Clark	$ 2.50	Bud Shuford	5.00
J. D. Taylor	1.00	Garret Carter	5.00
J. A. Brendell	10.00	J. E. Williams	1.00
Miss C. T. Buckner	1.00	E. W. Haynes	1.00
Mrs. W. R. Maney	1.00	J. A. Stradley	1.00
Jones Morgan	10.00	W. K. Hall	1.00
Mrs. W. A. Robertson	5.00	Elizabeth Ross	1.00
Mrs. M. Burleson	1.00	Lora Williams	1.00
Mrs. R. D. Buckner	1.00	Willie May Bradley	1.00
Mrs. J. A. Brendell	5.00	Mrs. Mary E. Taylor	1.00
J. T. Justice	5.00	Mattie Morgan	1.00
Mrs. J. T. Justice	1.00	Nittie Taylor	.50
A. I. Ingle	5.00	James Dillingham	2.00
R. J. Stokely	2.00	Mary Bradley	1.00
W. T. Bradley	5.00	J. A. Bradley	5.00
Sid Williams	5.00	A. I. Justice	5.00
Geo. Greenwood	1.00	Gus Williams	1.00
A. D. Davis	1.00	F. M. Burnett	5.00
Lee Morgan	1.00	E. J. Rhodes	1.00
James Burleson	5.00		
J. N. Morgan	5.00	Total	$153.00

By motion, the following resolution was adopted, to-wit:

Resolved, That the money raised this year for State and Associational Missions be turned over to the State Mission Board, and that the State Mission Board be requested to turn the same back to our Executive Board to be used within the bounds of this Association.

Report of B. Y. P. U.

Committee on B. Y. P. U. work submitted the following report, to-wit:

Outside of the Sunday-School there is an urgent demand for an enterprise that will develop the young men and women of our churches. The B. Y. P. U. meets this demand. There is no plan of church work more important than the training and development of the young people who have accepted Christ. From them we get our preachers and teachers, our superintendents and our leaders in all religious work. If our young hearts are not trained in the Master's work His kingdom will suffer an irreparable loss. There is no other agency, perhaps, connected with the Church that will serve so well in doing this great work as the B. Y. P. U.; hence the necessity of having this organization in all our churches, and thus give the young men and women a chance to train their young hearts and minds for the very highest Christian leadership. During the past year several new B. Y. P. U. organizations have been organized in various churches in the bounds of this Association.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. BURNETT,
A. M. BURLESON,
Committee.

By motion, this report was adopted.

Historian's Report.

Historian submitted report and after discussion by several of the brethren, same was adopted. Report read as follows:

History is the recorded acts of people. Unrecorded, these acts degenerate into a tradition, and may become mixed with much error. Baptists have ever been faithful in making history, but unfaithful in recording it. In the very beginning of this report I feel it my duty to recommend to our Baptist people that they supply to our historian such facts as may enable him to record these things, which, taken together, make our denominational history. If the thrilling sacrifices and devoted heroism of our Baptist pioneers could be told to the world in true words in living light, they would furnish inspiration to the young men of the future to enter into the contest for the mastery of this world for the King of Glory. Some of our best young men are in training for the Master's work. W. B. Creasman, a graduate of Wake Forest College, was about one year ago set apart to the Gospel ministry in the First Baptist church of Asheville. After a year's training in theology he returned to Asheville, expecting to enter the active ministry, but failing health has prevented it. He is well prepared for his life-work and it is to be hoped he may soon regain his health. His brother, C. B. Creasman, who is also a member of the First Baptist church at Asheville, is preparing himself at Wake Forest College for the Gospel ministry. He is a young man of much promise. A. M. Burleson, of Barnardsville Baptist church, is also at Wake Forest College, preparing for the ministry. He has recently been elected one of the editors of the college magazine for the ensuing year. "Our field is white unto the harvest." God give us reapers.

During the past year M. N. Kilpatrick, the senior deacon of the Flat Creek Baptist church, passed to his reward at the age of 84 years. He had long been a faithful officer of his church.

On the second day of December, 1904, our beloved brother, W. C. Stradley was called to his heavenly home. He was a deacon and treasurer of the First Baptist church at Asheville, a member of the Finance Committee and a teacher in the Sunday-School. His chief delight was in God's service. He consecrated his life, his all to Him. His last words after telling his wife good-bye, were: "Glory to God. I am going to be with Jesus," and singing a song, he fell asleep. His father, Thomas Stradley, closely followed his son. He went to dwell with his Lord. He was for many years a deacon of Bent Creek Baptist church, and always true to the denomination.

Dr. W. V. Powell, a member of the First Baptist church of Asheville, a young physician of great prominence, splendidly endowed by nature and education, has answered to the "call to preach," and he is now in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

We regret to report that the health of Miss Lottie Price, our missionary to China, is such that perhaps she will never be able to return to her work, yet she stands by her post of duty, preferring to die where her Lord sent her.

There have been but few changes of pastorates during the past year. Rev. S. I. Keeler, pastor at Vernon Hill, resigned, left the Association, and has, as we are informed, joined a denomination of a different faith and order.

Rev. B. R. Hoke has been serving West End church for nearly a year. He is very acceptable to that church, and is doing a great work.

Rev. W. F. Staley resigned the pastorate of the Biltmore church

to go to the North Wilkesboro Baptist church. Rev. W. C. Cleveland, of Nashville, Tenn., has moved to Biltmore with his family. He is serving the church temporarily and it is to be hoped that he will accept it permanently.

Rev. A. B. Thomas resigned the care of the Mount Carmel and Macedonia churches and moved to Indian Territory. Rev. C. C. Club succeeded him at Macedonia, and Rev. Charles Jarvis succeeded him at Mount Carmel. Rev. E. Allison, Rev. F. M. Pressley at Mountain View and other parts in the Swannanoa valley.

Two points deserve special mention:

1. There are not enough active pastors in our Association to supply the churches.

2. As a rule a large majority of the pastors do not attend the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. TUCKER.

Report on Orphanage.

Committee on Orphanage made following report, and after speeches by Brother Jones Morgan and others, same was adopted:

Report reads as follows, to-wit: Our Orphanage at Thomasville is an institution worthy of our highest respect and most hearty support. The orphans during the past year have passed through an epidemic of typhoid fever, and we are proud to announce that they are all well and happy at this time. This institution now shows an enrollment of 301.

The epidemic caused the Board of Trustees to change the sewerage system, which is now complete, and is said to be first-class in every respect. They have a good supply of water brought 876 feet from the surface of the earth. We have there now as fine a system of water works as can be found in the State.

They are now rebuilding and enlarging the Durham Mt. Zion building, and when completed we will have room for about 325 orphans, and they expect soon to commence another building.

The new common dining hall is in use which serves several good purposes, convenience, economy and a division of labor into departments: (1) cooking department; (2) department for making girls clothing; (3) department for making boys' clothing; (4) department for washing; (5) department for ironing. Each to be under a separate matron. We have there already, carpenter shops, shoe shops, printing office and farm for the boys besides the milking.

The departments will be enlarged from time to time as circumstances require, and funds will admit. The Orphanage is our own institution, and is doing a noble and glorious work in the way of educating and training the unfortunate children to become useful men and women. These orphan children (with exceedingly few exceptions), go out from this institution as believing Christians, trained for the battles of life. We feel that not only every Baptist church and every Baptist organization in this state, but that every Baptist should keep in touch with this institution, and see to it that it shall never want for anything that it is possible for us to give.

Respectfully submitted,

LEVI S. CLARK,
B. F. ARROWOOD,
JAS. N. MORGAN,
Committee.

Pledges for Orphanage.

Asheville, First Church	$200.00	Macedonia	5.00
Antioch	10.00	Hominy	6.00
Beaverdam	15.00	Brown's Chapel	2.00
Berea	5.00	Morgan Hill	12.25
Black Mountain	5.00	Pleasant Hill	3.00
Big Ivy	11.00	Vernon Hill	25.00
Cane Creek	8.00	West End	40.00
Chestnut Grove	2.00		
Flat Creek	6.00	Total	$355.25

Individual Pledges.

Mrs. S. C. Haynes	$ 2.00	J. W. Hensley	1.00
J. M. Morgan	1.00	J. N. Morgan	5.00
Mrs. J. H. Burleson	1.00	M. C. Hayes	2.00
Mrs. Julia Padget	1.00	J. A. Brendell	5.00
S. G. Williams	1.00	James A. Wyatt	.50
D. W. Shuford	2.00	Fannie Whipple	. 50
J. H. Holcombe	1.00	E. W. Haynes	1.00
Mrs. T. Burleson	1.00	J. S. Shuford	1.00
Mrs. Lora P. Williams	3.00	Mira Burleson	2.50
J. D. Taylor	1.00	Mrs. Dan Williams	.25
Mrs. J. D. Taylor	1.00	Reed Blankenship	1.00
Nettie Taylor	.50	Jennie Williams	.05
Nancy M. Hyatt	1.00	Black Mt. Sunday-School	1.00
Josie Burleson	1.00	Pleasant Hill S. S.	2.00
C. L. Buckner	1.00	Flat Creek Sunday-School	2.00
James Hayes	1.00	Basket Collection	3.93
Laura Burleson	1.00		
R. M. Burleson	1.00	Total	$50.23

Committee on time and place submitted following report. By motion this report was adopted. Report reads as follows, to-wit:

Your committee on time and place beg leave to report as follows:

Time of meeting, Tuesday after the second Sunday in August, 1906.

Place of meeting, Hominy Baptist Church, twelve miles west of Asheville, near Candler station, on Murphy branch of railway. Introductory sermon to be preached by Rev. William Lunsford; alternate, Rev. B. L. Hoke.

Respectfully submitted,

LEVI S. CLARK,
W. M. WRIGHT,
W. A. ROBERTSON,
J. N. MORGAN,

Adjourned for the day.

The Moderator announced that there would be preaching at 8 p. m., by Bro. A. I. Justice.

Congregation assembled at 8 o'clock, p. m., and after devotional exercises, Bro. A. I. Justice preached from the 11th chapter of Matthew and at 11th verse. This sermon was full of gospel, delivered in a way that seemed to go straight to the hearts of the people, and at the close

five or six grown up people manifested a desire to seek salvation in the forgiveness of their sins, one of whom, a married lady, left the house feeling happier than she had ever felt before, having trusted her all in the hands of her Blessed Redeemer. A large congregation present and much good accomplished.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 1905.

9:30 a. m. Association met, and after devotional exercises conducted by Bro. A. I. Justice, the Clerk called the roll of churches and delegates.

Report on Home Missions.

Committee on Home Missions submitted following report, and after interesting speeches by a number of the brethren, same was adopted.

No agency under God has accomplished more in building up the Baptist cause in the South than the Home Mission Board.

It has gone into the waste places of our beautiful Southland and planted the cross of Christ. It has been a stimulant to every department of our work, church building, State, Foreign and Educational.

While our Board has accomplished much, the demands upon it have been increasing with each passing year. The resources of the South in its manufacturing interests, its mineral wealth, its forests of timber, its waving fields of cotton and its health resorts are destined to make our people rich. Then we are confronted with the problems that accompany a spirit of commercialism, Catholicism, Mormonism, infidelity and a hundred other isms are seeking foothold on our soil. These force upon us the problems of false religions.

The Home Board is trying in the following ways to meet the demands upon it:

1. Cities and Foreigners. The great tide of foreign immigration that is flowing into our large cities is threatening to destroy the social and religious life of our country. The only remedy for this great evil is the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This the Board, through its missionaries, is trying to give.

2. Frontier Missions. This includes portions of Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma and Indian Territories. These sections are rapidly filling up with people from the East, South and other sections. The evils that attend a newly settled country are rife among them. Our missionaries on the frontier have suffered many privations, but the Lord has abundantly blessed their labors.

3. Church Building Loan Fund. This fund is loaned to struggling churches, to aid them in erecting houses of worship. A little help given them in their time of need will often lift them up and help to develop them into strong, healthy churches. The Board has in hand a fund which is increasing every year for this purpose.

The Tichenor Memorial Fund of $200,000 which the women of our churches have been endeavoring to raise, is to be used in this way. We commend this work to the Woman's Missionary societies and to the churches.

4. Mountain Missions and Schools. About three years ago the Board made this a special department of its work. In the mountain regions of Western North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky and Alabama, there is a population of more than two hundred thousand; ninety-eight per cent. of whom are white, and sixty-five per cent. are

Baptists. A few years ago a great educational wave seemed to overspread this region. Other denominations saw the opportunity and seized it. The Baptists in different localities began to lay plans to build up schools, but they were unable to compete with the mission schools of other denominations without help. The Home Board came to their relief and now under its fostering care and help, a number of well equipped schools are in successful operation.

5. Cuba. Mission work in Cuba is in the hands of the Home Board. This priest-ridden island with a population of 1,500,000 blinded by superstition, is holding out its hands to us for help. The work has been wonderfully blessed.

The Board is also doing a co-operative work with the colored people.

We are glad to know that the churches of our Association have ever been loyal to Home Missions. Let us continue to help with increased contributions this noble work.

Respectfully submitted,

A. I. JUSTICE.

Pledges for Home Missions.

Asheville, First Church	$333.33	Macedonia	3.00
Antioch	10.00	Morgan Hill	5.00
Beaverdam	20.00	Mountain View	3.00
Berea	4.00	Pleasant Hill	3.00
Black Mountain	4.00	Palestine	1.00
Brown's Chapel	1.00	Oak Grove	1.50
Biltmore	15.00	Swannanoa	2.00
Big Ivy	6.00	Vernon Hill	5.00
Cane Creek	15.00	West End	50.00
Flat Creek	5.00		
Gashes Creek	10.00		
Mount Carmel	5.00	Total	$501.83

Committee on Obituaries submitted following report, and by motion same was adopted:

Your Committee on Obituaries find reported on church letters, deaths during the last year as follows:

Antioch	2	Cane Creek church	3
Avery's Creek church	4	Chestnut Grove church	1
Asheville, First church	8	Flat Creek church	3
Brown's Chapel	2	Hominy	1
Black Mountain church	2	West End church	1
Big Ivy church	3	Spring Mt. church	1
Berea church	2		
Bent Creek church	1	Total deaths	34

Report of Treasurer.

The following report of Treasurer was read and adopted:

We have collected for this session the following monies to-wit:

Associated Missions	$ 2.50	Ministerial Education	2.00
State Missions	14.49	Sunday-School work	6.50
Foreign Missions	33.53	Minutes	27.02
Home Missions	15.71		
Orphanage	8.73	Total	$110.48

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. STONER,
Treasurer.

Report of Executive Committee.

Report of Executive Committee read,. and on motion, adopted Report reads as follows, to-wit:

We have not been able to do the work we had hoped to do but have done well with the few men and little money at our command.

Bro. A. B. Thomas resigned his field early in this year and his place has not been filled.

Bro. W. T. Bradley reports his work at Flat Creek and Pleasant Hill growing, about fifteen baptisms and Sunday-School interest very much better than last year.

Bro. A. I. Justice, on the Cane Crek field, reports a better organized and a deeper spiritual interest than the year past. He has preached 80 sermons, 100 religious visits. They have three Sunday-Schools, three Woman's Missionary societies and he has collected on this field for all objects, $840.

Bro. J. A. Brendell reports that the Big Ivy field is in a good working condition and that Morgan Hill is in the best spiritual condition of any church he knows of, and have planned large things; 47 additions on the field. He has made 142 pastoral visits during the year and the future is bright for this work.

Respectfully, your committee,

J. M. STONER, Chairman.
J. T. JUSTICE,
J. J. GREENWOOD,
S. W. GUFFEY,
A. I. TAYLOR,
L. S. CLARK.

Brother A. I. Justice spoke in favor of celebrating at our next annual meeting, the one hundredth year of our work in the mountain section, and especially in Buncombe County.

By motion, our Historian was requested to get up a historical report of the Baptist work for the last hundred years in this mountain section of country and report same to our next annual meeting.

By motion, the Treasurer was instructed to draw on the Association Mission Fund for any balance that may be due for printing minutes, paying Clerk, etc., after the minute fund has been exhausted.

By motion, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the members of this association extend to the brethren and citizens of this community our high appreciation and

heartfelt thanks for the general hospitality we have received from them during the present session of this association.

The Moderator announced that the business of this session had been transacted, and a motion to adjourn was in order, but before we adjourned, he wished to say that this had been a "glorious session." That much business had been transacted during our short session; that the various speeches made by our brethren from all parts of our territory indicated enthusiasm in our Master's work and determination to accomplish greater things for Him during the coming year. He requested the congregation to stand and sing, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross?" and while singing to give each other their hands.

Several minutes were spent in singing and general hand-shaking, after which association adjourned to meet at time and place formerly mentioned.

CHURCH STATISTICS

Churches	Clerks	Postoffices	Sabbath Meetings	Baptisms	Received by letters	Restored	Letters Granted	Excluded	Deaths	Ordained Ministers	Male Members	Female Members	Total Memb'h'p	Value of Church Property
Antioch	J. P. Dillingham	Democrat	3	4	4	3	8	3	2	3	67	104	171	800
Asheville, First Ch.	C. S. Davis	Asheville	Each	56	58		31		8	3	400	564	964	52,000
Avery's Creek	Jesse Ingram	Arden, R. F. D.	3	1			2		4		21	33	54	150
Beaverdam	E. P. Stradley	Ashe. R. F. D. No. 1		2			3			1	17	28	45	1,000
Bent Creek	Mrs. Z. V. Green	Bilt., R. F. D. No. 2	2	2	7		3	1	1		18	26	44	200
Berea	J. A. Cordell	Riceville	1	3	2		2		2	1	24	42	66	1,800
Big Ivy	A. I. Ingle	Barnardsville	2	4	8		5	1	3	1	79	104	183	3,500
Biltmore	C. R. Whitaker	Biltmore	Each	2	2		4			1	25	60	85	5,000
Black Mountain	Elllis Burlison	Rock View	4	1		1	7	2	1		45	41	86	900
Brown's Chapel	J. W. Ingle	Beech	1 and 3	2	2				2		29	40	69	800
Cane Creek	R. A. Morgan	Fairview	2 and 4		7		1	3	3	1	70	106	176	2,100
Flat Creek	C. W. Roberts	Homerville	1	13	2		3	1	3		55	81	136	1,000
Hominy	Levi S. Clark	Candler	1	3	2		2	2	1	2	64	79	143	1,800
Liberty	W. W. Green	Hominy	3	1	1		2				17	30	47	1,000
Macedonia	H. C. Hawkins	Juno	2	7	4			1			51	81	132	400
Morgan Hill	Burgin Morgan	Morgan Hill	1	16	10	4	2	1		1	63	78	141	1,200
Mountain View	J. L. Burnett	Black Mountain	2	10		1	3				31	57	88	500
Mount Carmel	D. E. Ramsey	Ashe., R. F. D. No. 4	1	7	3		1			1	36	47	83	800
Palestine	James Kilpatrick	Sykland	1	1						1	14	13	27	200
Pleasant Hill	J. D. Taylor	Alexander	3	2	9		4	3			36	50	86	300
Oak Grove	Z. H. Blankenship	Alexander	4		3					2	20	27	47	200
Spring Mountain	Emil S. Kerstein	Fairview	3	1	1				1	1	21	28	49	500
Swannanoa	L. B. Buchanan	Swannanoa	1								8	11	19	800
Vernon Hill	A. D. Davis						2				9	25	34	1,000
West End	W. C. Pennell	Asheville	Each	21	20		11	1	1	3	76	192	268	6,000
		Totals		159	145	9	96	19	32	22	896	1,383	3,243	83,950

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Churches	Pastors	Pastor's Salaries	Building and Repairs	Incidental	Poor	Asso'al Missions
Antioch	J. A. Brendell	$ 119	$ 3	$	$	$ 1
Asheville, First Ch.	Wm. Lunsford	2,500	794	1,629	132	10
Avery's Creek	W. H. Hooker	36				
Beaverdam		103	141	16		1
Bent Creek	W. H. Hooker	40			2	
Berea	O. L. Stringfield	100		7		
Big Ivy	J. A. Brendell	150		3	110	
Biltmore	W. J. Cleveland	400	95	2	4	
Black Mountain	J. A. Brendell	50	900			
Brown's Chapel	J. A. Bradley	40				
Cane Creek	A. I. Justice	150	500	25	7	2
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradley	50		15	3	
Hominy	M. R. N. Caldwell	100	5		10	
Liberty	M. R. N. Caldwell	36	800			
Macedonia	C. C. Club	66		6	5	
Morgan Hill	J. A. Brendell	77				
Mountain View	E. Allison	100		2		
Mount Carmel	C. E. Jervis		20	29		
Palestine	F. M. Pressley	25				
Pleasant Hill	W. T. Bradley	40		7		
Oak Grove	J. A. Bradley	40	200			
Spring Mountain	F. M. Pressley	25				
Swannanoa	E. Allison					
Vernon Hill		76		5		
West End	B. L. Hoke	400	117	179	3	
	Totals	$4,723	$3,575	$1,925	$276	$18

TABLE

Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Music	Colleges and Schools	Ministerial Education	Other Objects	S. S. Expenses	Minutes	Through W. M. S.	Through B. Y. P. U.	Through S. S.	Total
3	$ 15	$	$ 18	$58	$	$ 2	$	$ 8	$ 1.20	$ 61	$ 3	8	$ 242
00	1,000	15	426		183	50		408		871	183	1,331	8,240
	1	1	2						1.00				43
20	47	2	15		15		18	20	1.00	3		67	436
	3		3						1.00				50
6	15	2	5					11	1.00	10		26	155
	3		10					27				27	304
9	10	5	20				36	56		237	5	74	647
			6				22		.95				986
	1							4	.67			4	47
20	34	8	8					22	2.00	39	10	35	835
5	5		6						1.10				94
3	28		5					18	1.50			18	173
1			2					10	.70			10	848
5	5	2	5					6	.60			6	110
2	2	2	12					5	1.50			5	108
	2	3	3										112
5			10				25	7	.50			24	101
								5				5	30
2	5	1	3					8	1.30			8	70
1	3								1.00	64			246
2	4		3					3		7		3	35
													2
	53	2	4					22	1.00			83	177
25	55	15	41		40		20	62				78	996
19	$1,291	$ 58	$607	$58	$238	$ 52	$121	$702	$18.02	$1,292	$201	1,812	$15,087

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

Schools	Superintendents.	Officers and Teachers	Number of Scholars	Number of Schools	Average Attendance	Volumes in Library	Quarterlies & Papers taken	Months kept open	No. Baptisms from school	Home Missions	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Poor	Church Buildings	Incidentals	Colleges and Schools	Associational Missions	S. S. Missions	Other Objects	S. S. Expense
Antioch	E. B. Goldsmith	8	108	1	45		135	12	4												8
Asheville Frist Ch.	J. H. Tucker	44	590	3	470	388		12				151	357		38	361			15		408
Avery's Creek																					
Beaverdam	R. F. Drummond.	6	101	1	60		90	12	2	5	1	39							2		20
Bent Creek	N. B. Creasman	8	77	1	40		35	12	3												
Berea	J. A. Cordell	6	50	1	30		65	12	3	3		3	6					2	1		11
Big Ivy	A. I. Ingle	11	164	2	98		194	12	4												28
Biltmore	A. S. Whitaker	6	75	1	60	100		12	2		8		5						5		56
Black Mountain	D. W. Shuford	6	43	1	33	2															
Brown's Chapel	L. M. Revis	5	40	1	30		40	12													4
Cane Creek	S. J. Ashworth	18	173	2	140		200	12					8						5		22
Flat Creek	B. H. Sams	8	59	1	34		68	12													
Hominy	Judson E. Morgan	8	67	1	49		100	12													18
Liberty	John Rutherford	9	80	1	50	38		12	1												10
Macedonia	R. H. Embler	7	65	1	35		45	12													6
Morgan Hill	B. F. Arrowood	7	70	1	50		60	12	11												5
Mountain View	W.W. Plemmons	5	85	1	50		50	12	5												
Mt. Carmel		8	60	1	42		61	12					5						2		17
Palestine	M. C. Presley	4	45	1	25		36	9													5
Pleasant Hill	A. W. Buckner	6	60	1	35		160	12	2												8
Oak Grove																					
Spring Mountain	P. O. Chatam	6	34	1	30		30	6													
Swannanoa																					
Vernon Hill	E. J. Rhodes	6	100	1	65		60	12		15		24	3						3	16	22
West End	J. B. Grice	12	275	1	147		276	12	15				16								62
	Totals	204	2421	26	1628	538	1705	243	52	23	9	217	400		38	361		2	33	16	710

CONSTITUTION.

Article I.—Name.

Section 1.—This body shall be known as "The Buncombe County Baptist Association."

Article II.—Constituency.

Section 1.—This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the Church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for; Provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Section 2.—Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of twenty-one.

Sec. 3.—The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association until its final adjournment.

Article III.

Section 1.—The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after the reading of the Church letters and the enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2. The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mill's Parliamentary Practice.

Sec. 3.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association, and pay them out on the order of the same.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

Article IV—Object.

Section 1.—It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday-schools, Church Extension, and Temperance.

Article V—Committees.

Section 1.—At each Annual Meeting, the Moderator shall appoint the following Committees: Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State and Associational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday-schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of

the Association, and such other Committees as the Association may direct.

Sec. 2.—It shall be the duties of the Committees to report in writing on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

Article VI.—Executive Board.

Section 1.—This Association at eachAnnual Meeting shall appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of North Carolina Baptist Convention in supplying the destitute within our bounds.

Article VII.—Church Letters.

Section 1.— The Church letters shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of Church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their post-offices; number baptized; received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and number of deaths during the year; number and sex of members; time of prayer-meetings; amount paid for pastor's salary; incidental expenses, home missions, foreign missions, education, Sunday-school and Bible missions; and if for any other object, to be noted.

Report of Sunday-schools to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kinds of papers used in the Sunday-schools; name and post-office of the superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

Article VIII.—By-Laws.

Section 1.—This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's "Manual of Parliamentary Practice."

Article IX.—Meeting.

Section 1.—This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article X.—Printing.

Section 1.—Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI.—Correspondence.

Section 1.—This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondance with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII.—Faith.

Section 1.—This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and

communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform, and the only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspersions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for information of others not acquainted with our tenets, and for no other purpose.

Sec. 2.—As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

Article XIII.—Amendment.

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

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Historian, W. T. Bradley.....Morgan Hill, N. C.

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Dr. Wm. Lunsford,
P. O. Merrill,
J. M. Stoner,
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W .S. Roberts,
W. E. Logan,
O. L. Stringfield,
John P. Morgan,
A. E. Brown.

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Bradley, W. T.,
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Cleveland, W. C.,
Cole, C. D.,
Creasman, W. B.,
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Hooker, W. H.,
Isreal, L. Y.,
Justice, A. I.,
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Morgan, E. J.,
Morgan, S. J.,
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Profit, M. S.,
Pickens, J. M.,
Robertson, W. A.,
Sluder, W. M.,
Stradley, E. P.,
Stringfield, O. L.,

PROCEEDINGS

THE Buncombe County Baptist Association met in its twenty-fifth annual session with Hominy Baptist Church, August 14th, 1906. Dr. Lunsford, of the First Church, Asheville, preached the introductory sermon from Mat. 4:19, "And He saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you Fishers of men."

Rev. A. E. Brown moved that the committee on periodicals be required to report immediately after the opening of the afternoon session. Motion carried. By motion the pastor and deacons of the Hominy Church together with brethren E. Allison, T. J. Justice and J. N. Morgan were constituted a committee on order of business.

Adjournment for dinner.

Convened at 1 p. m. Opened with prayer by Brother W. T. Bradley.

The Moderator, J. P. Morgan, declared the Association ready for business and appointed Brethren J. H. Tucker and A. E. Brown Reading Clerks. Letters were read from the following named Churches and delegates names enrolled:

Asheville First Church—Dr. Lunsford, J. H. Tucker, R. J. Stokely, A. Shell, J. T. Justice, Mrs. J. T. Justice, Miss Draughn, J. R. Rich, Powell Tucker, W. C. McConnell, J. M. Stoner, J. M. Campbell, Clarence Creasman.

Antioch—Rev. M. S. Proffet, R. D. Buckner, C. S. Gentry T. J. Garrison.

Beaverdam—E. P. Stradley, W. B. Scarborough.

Bent Creek—M. T. Johnson, W. F. Hayes, S. B. Lance, N. B. Creasman.

Berea—J. A. Cordell, Mrs. J. A. Cordell, Mrs. Jno. Fezer, Miss Osie Allison.

Bethel—Thomas Knight, Adolphus Goforth, W. L. Lunsford.

Hominy—Levi S. Clarke, Rev. S. C. Owen, Rev. E. J. Morgan, E. L. Clarke, Robert Hutcheson, W. H. Meece, A. L. Dryman, M. R. N. Caldwell.

Macedonia—J. H. Johnson, H. B. Miles, J. Y. Rymer, T. J. Cook, H. C. Hawkins.

Cane Creek—Rev. A. I. Justice, A. H. Pinkerton, A. W. Morgan, W. H. Early, R. A. Morgan.

Morgan Hill—J. P. Morgan, J. N. Morgan, J. Y. Gentry, Rev. W. T. Bradley.

South Black Mountain—T. K. Brown, J. S. Cordell, J. B. Hudgins.

Pleasant Hill—Rev. J. A. Bradley, J. D. Taylor.

Flat Creek—W. S. Roberts, B. H. Sams.

Oak Grove—

Gash's Creek—J. A. Brookshire, A. M. Jackson.

Swannanoa—L. B. Buchanan, J. W. Solesby, J. H. Denney, P. H. Solesby.

Big Ivy—Judson Carter.

White Rock—L. W. Peebles.

Biltmore—Frank Denton, Charles Myers.

Liberty—Rev. M. R. N. Caldwell, L. W. Young, J. R. Sawyer, Arthur Jameson, W. W. Greene, Horace Sawyer.

Mt. Carmel—L. Plemmons, T. P. Brookshire, Eugene Sluder, Louise Knight, H. Plemmons.

West End—W. E. Logan, H. A. Brown, J. B. Grice, W. C. Pennel, A. E. Brown, B. B. Jones, W. H. Martendale, Mrs. W. E. Logan, Mrs. J. S. Harper, Mrs. H. A. Brown, Rev. O. L. Stringfield.

Vernon Hill—W. W. Hooker, E. W. Brown.

On motion of J. T. Justice, the order of business was suspended and J. P. Morgan was unanimously re-elected Moderator for the ensuing year.

By motion C. D. Creasman was elected Clerk for the ensuing year.

By motion J. M. Stoner was re-elected Treasurer for the ensuing year.

By motion W. T. Bradley was re-elected Historian for the ensuing year.

Committee on order of business made following report:

Tuesday—1:00 p. m., Organization, recognition or representatives and visitors, etc.
1:15 Periodicals.
1:45 Woman's Work.
2:45 Announcement of committees and general business.

August 15—9:00 a. m., Devotional meeting.
9:30 a. m., Education.
10:00 a. m., Home Missions.
10:30 a. m., Foregin Missions.
12:00 m., Dinner.
1:00 p. m., Temperance.
2:00 p m., State Missions.
3:00 p. m., B. Y. P. U.
3:30 p. m., Orphanage.

August 16—9:30 a. m., Devotional meeting.
10:00 a. m., State of churches.
11:00 a. m., Announcement of committees for next year.
11:15 a. m., Historian's report.
12:00 m., Miscellaneous business.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed:
J. S. Farmer, representing Biblical Recorder; S. W. Hall, representing North Carolina Baptist; A. E. Brown, representing Home Mission Board; W. H. Hipps, representing Mars Hill College; E. Allison, representing Skyland Baptist; W. W. Howard, Texas, San Antonio Association; A. M. Sims, Broad River Association; J. D. Colley, New Found Association; Archibald Johnson, representing Orphanage; Livingston Johnson, representing State Mission Board; Hight C. Moore, representing State S. S. work; Prof. Lanier of Wake Forest College; Rev. R. A. Sentell.

Committee recommended admission of S. Black Mountain Baptist Church into the Association. The same was admitted by motion.

The committee on periodicals made the following report:

Periodicals.

Perhaps there is no agency, outside the preaching of the Word, that is more potent in influencing the mind and heart than our religious press. Without a doubt we believe the best thing for the home, next to the Bible, is our denominational papers. The chief concern with Christians should be the condition of their minds, hearts and homes. These things being so, we urge every member of the association to supply his home with the Bibilical Recorder, North Carolina Baptist, Home Field, Foreign Misison Journal, Skyland Baptist and Charity and Children.

J. M. STONER,
JNO. TAYLOR,
HORACE SAWYER,
Committeee.

On motion this report was adopted after able discussion by J. S. Farmer and S. W. Hall.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

Periodicals—J. M. Stoner, Jno. Taylor, Horace Sawyer.
Woman's Work—Miss Draughn, Mrs. Jno. Fezer.
Education—O. L. Stringfield, Fred Brown, W. H. Hooker.
Sunday School—J. H. Tucker, M. S. Proffet, E. L. Clarke.
Home Missions—A. E. Brown, Azor Shell, J. A. Bradley.
Foreign Missions—Dr. Lunsford, Eugene Sluder, H. Morgan.
Temperance—T. K. Brown, E. J. Morgan, A. H. Pinkerton.
State Missions—O. L. Stringfield, Judson Carter, J. A. Cordell.
B. Y. P. U.—J. J. Britt, S. C. Owen, W. C. Pennel.
Orphanage—S. C. Owen, A. I. Justice, R. D. Buckner.
State of Churches—J. T. Justice, J. N. Morgan, S. L. Clarke, W. B. Creasman, B. H. Same, R. O. Morgan.

The committee on Sunday Schools made the following report, which was adopted after a stirring speech by J. H. Tucker.

Sunday Schools.

By merit the Sunday School now has its place in the church's plan. Its work is to enlist, to teach, to train. Therefore it is an indispensible part of every live, progressive church. Interest in Sunday School work is awakening in all denominations. In our denomination we have our own publishing house at Nashville supplying us with the best literature. It also sends field secretaries to every state in the Southern Baptist convention to arouse interest and train workers. It has established a course in Bible Pedagogy which we recommend to your teachers. The field work in North Carolina is entrusted to our mission board which has a committee on State S. S. Work. Hight C. Moore has been placed in the field by this committee. Upon invitation he holds institutes and conventions, associating with him some of the finest Sunday School experts in the South. In June a convention was held at Jackson Springs and in July a Bible and Sun-

day School convention was held at Mars Hill Both meetings were well attended and rich in results. At the last session of the state convention a committee was appointed to select sites for Baptist assemblies. It is hoped that the committee will locate one of the thse grounds in Western North Carolina in time for a State Sunday School convention next summer. We direct the attention of that committee to Buncombe, because of its railroad facilities, its accessibility and its central position. Our convention work in the association has done much good, but it does not receive the support due it. It has wondrous possibilities. "The field is white unto the harvest," but where are the reapers?

J. H. TUCKER,
W. S. PROFIT,
E. L. CLARKE,
Committee.

Committee on Woman's Work made the following report:

Woman's Work.

There are thirty-six churches in the association. Only six have Woman's Missionary Societies. The W. M. S. of the First Church, Asheville, has contributed $831.95 to missions, the Young Ladies' Mission Band $141.70; W. M. S. of Biltmore, $18.50; Cane Creek $36.13; Berea $14.00; Beaverdam $22.60; West End $15.40; Rain Bow Circle, $10.00.

The work in country churches is neglected because the pastors do not seem to have the spirit of prayer for missions. Women need encouragement and we all need to be much in prayer for the spread of the gospel. The women of North Carolina are asked to give $23,000 to missions this year. Letters have been sent to all the societies reqesting them to enlarge their gifts to missions.

The Christmas offering for the Yates Memorial, Mrs. Burton and Miss Lottie Price, ought to appeal to every woman in the state. God has opened the doors of heathen lands and we must enter and carry the Gospel. Also, the needs of the home and state boards are greater than ever before because of the thousands of foreigners who are coming to our country. We appeal to the pastors to encourage and help the women to do something for the cause of Christ at home and in the foreign lands.

MISS E. A. DRAUGHMAN,
MRS. JNO. FEZER,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

O. L. Stringfield offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to consider the advisability of employing an evangelist for the association, and report its conclusion during the present session; also that the said committee be empowered to appoint executive committee.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

Opened with song service lead by S. W. Hall and prayer by W. L. Bradley.

Moderator appointed following committees:

Committee on time and place of next meeting—W. T. Roberts, H. B. Miles, A. W. Morgan.

Committee on advisability of employing an evangelist for the association—Dr. Lunsford, A. I. Justice, O. L. Stringfield, W. T. Bradley, J. N. Morgan, W. S. Roberts, J. M. Stoner.

By motion it was decided to omit the 11:00 o'clock sermon provided for in order of business.

Committee on education made the following report, which was adopted after speeches by Prof. Lanneau of Wake Forest College, W. H. Hipps, representing Mars Hill College, A. I. Justice, representing Fair View High School, and A. E. Brown, representing all mountain schools.

Education.

The greatest power on earth today is that wielded by consecrated, cultured men and and women. This is what distinguishes us from nations where idolatry is supreme. An imbecile can wear a crown in certain parts of the earth; a youngster can wield a scepter in another, but here if one desires a crown he must be able to wear it or it will be a burden to him.

It is not a question of place or possession in North Carolina. It is a question of ability. The call is lound and long for consecrated, cultured men and women. We do not ask about the place of birth or the amount of stocks in bank. Our churches have joined hands with our schools and colleges for the purpose of producing Godly, cultured men and women. Wake Forest College which is sending out men equal with any in the United States, is managed by trustees appointed by the state convention. About fifty of over three hundred men who matriculated last year are preparing themselves for the ministry. Indigent young ministers are aided by the Board of Education. This board is one of the most important of the convention and should be supported by every church in the state.

The Baptist University for Women has taken a strong stand among the best of its kind. This is also managed by trustees appointed by the state convention. Over three hundred matriculated last year. The school has no endowment, but we hope that it shall have a large one soon. Mars Hill College, Clyde and Fruitland are near us and deserve our support and patronage.

O. L. STRINGFIELD,
FRED BROWN,
W. H. HOOKER,
Committee.

Committee on Home Missions made the following report which was adopted after speeches by A. E. Brown and W. W. Howard:

Home Missions.

"Save America to save the world" is good philosophy and true Christianity. The greatest obstacle to Foreign Missions is not Pagan superstition nor heathen philosophy. Christian England and America give the Gospel to the heaten but are at the same

time the greatest hinderance to is success. We send out vesseis to Africa and the Philippines with missionaries on deck and rum in the hold. The envangelization of the home field is the quickest way to success in the foreign field.

First in importance in our home mission work is evangelism. The evangelist blazes the way for churches. There can be no real aggressive work without his aid. Next in importance is the work of sustaining churches in new fields. Few know anything of the privations endured by the home missionaries in infant churches. Next in importance is church building. Many of the churches in the frontier states are without meeting houses and the necessity of a church building fund cannot be over-estimated. Another department of the home board is mission schools. We now have twenty-four schools in the mountains, training about four thousand pupils yearly. We spent over $70,000 last year on these schools, $20,000 of it coming directly from the treasury of the home board, and the rest being contributed by the people in the sections where the schools were established. But our greatest work is the evangelization of our rapidly growing cities. If Baptists are to grow with this repidly growing country; if we are to meet our obligations to ourselves and the expectations of our Master, we must enlarge the work of home missions.

A. E. BROWN,
AZOR SHELL,
J. A. BRADLEY,
Committee.

Committee on Foregin Missions reported as follows: (report adoptd after speeches by Dr. Lunsford and O. L. Stringfield.)

Foreign Missions.

The present condition of our foreign mission work presents every reason for rejoicing. The churches contributed more than evere bebore, $315,248.48 against $283,415.88 last year and $247,629.69 the year before. The figures show a steady advance in our Southern Baptist work. A few years ago only a few churches gave the salary of a missionary; now it is common for churches to give that much and a number of them give $1,200, the salary of a man and his wife. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Celsey Dozier will sail for Japan August 25th, supported by the First Church of Asheville. By way of information we state that the First church began two months ago to tithe its entire income and thus 10 per cent of all money is given to Foregin Missions. We note that a number of men and women are giving the salary of a missionary and a large number are giving $100, enough to support a native preacher in China.

Let us remember that two things keep the churches at home alive: The spirit of evangelism, and the spirit of missions.

WILLIAM LUNSFORD.
EUGENE SLUDER,
H. MORGAN,
Committee.

Adjournment for dinner.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Wednesday afternoon session opened with prayer and song service.

Committee on temperance read following report which was adopted after discussion by T. K. Brown, E. J. Morgan, S. C. Owen, J. H. Tucker and others.

Temperance Report.

Your committee on Temperence beg to report as follows:

We believe that intemperance is the greatest evil that the church, state or nation has to extend with. Every phaze of the subject shows that it is continually growing and assuming not only greater properties, but more destructive positions.

When we consider the immense amount of the deadly poisonous stuff manufactured, sold and consumed, it is not only wonderful but alarming. Statistics show not less than twenty-two gallons consumed annually per capita, the market value of which is more than flour, bacon, sugar, coffee, shoes and other merchandise sold an consumed.

What must we do? Must we remain silent, or assume the aggressive? This has long been the question.

Realizing our danger, we therefore, recommend that the church use the greatest precaution. To this end we recommend that they guard well their membership by withdrawing fellowship from any member who is known to be a tippler or dram drinker.

We condemn the manufacture, sale and use as a beverage of intoxicating liquors in Buncombe county and the State.

We declare in favor of absolute prohibition. We pledge ourselves to vote in the coming election for candidates, only who are prohibitionists, and who will publicly declare, if elected they will use their offices to bring about prohibition in our county and in our state.

We request all good citizens to join in our effort to get total prohibihtion.

T. K. BROWN,
E. J. MORGAN,
Committee.

Report on Evangelist.

Committee on appointing an evangelist for the association reported as follows:

We respectfully report, 1st. that it is the sense of this committee that an evangelist be employed to work exclusively within the bounds of the association; and 2nd. that this committee be excused from appointing executive committee and that the selection of an evangelist, and fixing his duties and salary be left to the executive committee.

Wm. LUNSFORD,
J. M. STONER,
A. I. JUSTICE,
W. T. BRADLEY,
W. S. ROBERTS,
O. L. STRINGFIELD,
J. N. MORGAN,
Committee.

Motion was carried to set aside order of business and read report on state missions. Report was read and adopted after discussion by Livinston Johnson.

State Missions.

North Carolina is growing rapidly. Towns are springing up in a single day. Every dollar invested in our state ought to mean more money for state missions. We have invited capital and it has come with all of its atendant ills. We have not met it with state mission money and consequently North Carolina has become the dumping grounds for all the semi-religious garbage of the earth. However, from a small sum invested years ago, the amount is now $30,000, with prospects of its reaching $50,000. We have over a hundred missionaries including some of the most consecrated ministers in the state. The Lord approves of their work and will multiply their number if we make it possible for them to stay in our state. It seems to be true that the Lord calls ministers at about the same rate that we support them. With the present encouragement and such a wonderful opportunity now open for us can we afford to do less than secure liberal contribution from all the members of all the churches? If it costs suffering, let us "suffer with Christ that we may also be glorified with Him."

O. L. STRINGFIELD,
S. J. CARTER,
J. A. CORDELL,
Committee.

Committee on B. Y. P. U. made following report which was adopted after discussion by J. J. Britt:

B. Y. P. U. of First Church, Asheville.

Our sessions occupy the early evening hour of each Sunday, and the Union has two divisions, Senior and Junior.

The purose of the Union is the unification of Baptist young people; their increased spirituality; their stiulation in Christian service; their edification in scriptural knowledge; their instruction in Baptist history and their enlistment in missionary activity through demoninational organization.

Each member is under the following pledge:

Replying on Divine help, I hereby promise to be true to Christ in all things, to seek the New Testament standard of Christian experience and life; to attend every meeting of the Union, unless hindered by reasons approved by a good conscience, and to take some part in the service, aside from singing, if it is possible to do so with sincerity and truth.

In our Union it is no unusual thing for a member of tender years, either male or female, to make an inspiring talk on a religious subject. The average attendance for the past year is about 100 with an increase of 20 new members. Last year we paid out the following:

To Mars Hill College	$47.78
For support of girl in Miss Lottie Price's school in China	25.00
For Literature	10.00
Conference fees for three delegates	15.00
For Flowers for Church	4.20
For receptions	7.30
For printing topic cards	7.00
Total	$116.28

J. J. BRITT,
S. C. OWEN,
W. C. PENNELL,
Committee.

Report on Time and Place.

Committee on time and place of next meeting submitted the following:

Time—Tuesday after second Sunday in August, 1907.

Place—Gash's Creek.

Introductory Sermon—W. T. Bradley; alternate, A. I. Justice.

W. S. ROBERTS,
H. B. MILES,
A. W. MORGAN,
Committee.

Motion carried that report on Orphanage be postponed till 10.30 o'clock Thursday morning.

Moderator announced executive committee for ensuing pear as follows: Dr. Lunsford, J. H. Tucker, P. O. Merrill, J. M. Stoner, J. N. Morgan, T. J. Justice, W. S. Roberts, W. E. Logan, O. L. Stringfield. By motion J. P. Morgan and A. E. Brown were added.

Adjournment.

THURSDAY.

Thursday morning session opened with devotional exercises conducted by O. L. Stringfield and prayers by Hight C. Moore and Archibal Johnson.

Motion carried that collection be taken for minute fund.

Motion carried that letters arriving after first day of association be referred to clerk and not read in association.

Committee on state of churches read following report which was adopted after discussion by J. H. Tucker, J. N. Morgan and A. E. Brown.

State of Churches.

We are glad to note that some of our churches are progressing along every line. But some of them are making no progress. Most of the churches fail to make use of the means of grace within their reach, but they are giving more attention to scriptural church dicipline. The spirit of missions is becoming more generally defused among the people. Many of the churches are being better organized for this work and many of them have missionary societies which are doing well.

We note that the First Church, Asheville, is preparing to spend $6,000 on an addition to their S. S. room.

J. T. JUSTICE,
J. N. MORGAN,
Committee.

Committee on Orphanage made the following report which was adopted after discussion by Archibal Johnson.

Orphanage.

The Orphanage at Thomasville has been in operation about 21 years. It was a small affair at first but has grown steadily, and now it is one of the greatest and most useful institutions in the state. There are now 320 children there. The prime object of the orphanage is to furnish homes for our orphans, give them a primary education and teach them some useful occupation. The religious atmosphere of the institution deserves special mention. The children are taught the Bible as their only safe guide and as a result not less than 85 per cent of them leave the orphanage Christians.

The orphanage has enlisted the support of more people than any other institution in the state. The reasons are (1) a child without parents is certainly a worthy object of chairty; (2) the directors of the institution have put the support of the children directly upon our hearts. The orphanage is suppoterd by volunteer contributions and we insist that each church and Sunday School take a collection at least once a year for this cause.

S. C. OWEN,
R. D. BUCKNER,
A. I. JUSTICE,
Committee.

Executive committee made the following report:

Report of Executive Committee.

Your board has done its best with the men and means available. Bro. A. I. Justice has labored hard in the Fairview section and his churches show considerable advancement. Cane Creek has pledged $150 this year and will give over $200, for all objects. Bro. Justice has Woman's Misisonary Societies, B. Y. P. U. and Sunday Schools. Th board aids him to preach monthly at Emley's Grove and Laurel Bluff. These places have flourishing Sunday Schools.

Bro. W. T. Bradley has his work in good shape at Morgan Hill and Flat Creek. He has been aided to preach at Cole's Cove and Sugar Creek. These places could not have had preaching without a great sacrifice on the part of Bro. Bradley.

We have been unable to get a report from Bro. Allison, but we know that he has established the South Black Mt. church which we believe will become strong.

J. H. TUCKER,
J. M. STONER,
A. I. JUSTICE,
J. N. MORGAN,
R. D. BUCKNER,
J. T. JUSTICE,
W. A. ROBERTSON,
Committee.

Report was adopted.

Treasurer read his report as follows:

Treasurer's Report.

The pledges have been pretty well paid up and collections are as follows:

Foregin Missions	$ 7.24
Home Misisons	14.98
State Missions	27.80
Orphanage	8.11
Minutes.	30.80
Total	$88.93

J. M. STONER, Treasurer.

Hight C. Moore made a stiring address on Sunday School Work. By motion J. M. Campbell was appointed to do special work in the interest of the Sunday Schools of the association.

Historian read his report which was adopted. A. I. Justice moved that all of report except that relating to last year's work be referred back to historian for reconstruction and that a committee be appointed to assist historian. Motion carried.

Following is the record of last year:

Report of Historian.

The Buncombe County association met last year with Black Mountain Church, North Fork of Big Ivy. The reports showed great advancement in the work along all lines. We had with us Brother Joshua Stradley of Oxford, N. C., Brohter Edwards representing the Bibical Recorder and Brother S. W. Hall the North Carolina Baptist. Changes in the pastorates during the past year are as follows: J. A. Brendle resigned work on Big Ivy and returned to Franklin, N. C. W. A. Robertson was called to Black Mountain church, and C. D. Cole to Big Ivy; W. T. Bradley to Antioch and Morgan Hill; B. L. Hoke resigned the West End church, Asheville, and Brother O. L. Stringfield, who came direct from Burnsville, was called to fill the vacancy; W. T. Bradley resigned at Pleasant Hill to be succeeded by J. A. Bradley; C. C. Clubb gave up church at Macedonia to be followed by J. A. Bradley; O. L. Stringfield resigned Berea church and A. I. Justice is supplying; E. Allison is pastor at Biltmore, Gash's Creek, Swannanoa and Mountain View; Rev. Harrison Hooker has charge of Bent Creek and Vernon Hill and of Avery's Creek till June, leaving that church now without a pastor. Brown's Chapel, Beaverdam and Weaverville are without a pastor. There were several of the churches not represented in the association. A. M. Burleson has left our association and gone west.

There are 14 churches in Buncombe county belonging to other associations, eleven of which belong to New Found and three to French Broad. They have a membership of some 1,000. The 25 churches reported last year have a membership of 3,243. The grand total of all the Baptist churches in the county is 50 with a membership of 5,000.

The first church, Asheville, not long ago agreed to give to Foreign Missions one tenth of all money paid into treasury, besides already having given $1,200 during the year for the same cause. It has also agreed to pay the salaries of Mr. and Mrs. Chas.

Kelsey Dozier as missionaries to Japen. They are to sail August 25, 1906.

We received South Black Mountain, a newly constituted church, into our association.

W. T. BRADLEY, Historian.

Chairmen of Committees.

Moderator announced the following chairmen f committees for the ensuing year:

Foreign Missions—O. L. Stringfield.
State Misisons—A. E. Brown.
Education—A. I. Justice.
Home Missions—Wm. Lunsford.
Sunday School—J. H. Tucker.
Temperance—E. J. Morgan.
State of Churches—W. T. Bradley.
Orphanage—J. M. Stoner.
Woman's Work—J. A. Brookshire.
B. Y. P. U.—Fred Brown.
The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, that we sincerely thank this community for its generous entertainment of the association.

Moved and carried that clerk curtail reports of committees so that minute fund will publish minutes.

Moved and carried that the association adjourn to meet at time and place above mentoined.

Benediction by O. L. Stringfield.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions for different objects for 1905-1906 are as follows:

	1905	1906	Decrease	Increase
Associational Missions	$ 181.00	$ 206.40	$	$ 25.40
State Missions	619.00	523.00	56.00	.....
Foreign Missions	1291.00	1478.80	.....	187.80
Home Missions	630.00	756.93	.....	126.93
S. School	58.00	212.12	.....	154.12
Orphanage	607.00	2025.22	.....	1418.22
Total	$ 3396.00	$ 5202.47	$ 56.00	$ 2112.47
				56.00
				$ 2056.47

Below is a complete list of all pledges made for the following year.

	State Sunday School Work	Foreign Missions	State and Ass'l Missions	Home Missions	Orphanage	Total
Antioch	$ 2.50	$ 10.00	$ 15.00	$ 10.00	$ 20.00	$ 57.50
Asheville First Ch.	15.00	1400.00	500.00	500.00	250.00	2665.00
Beaverdam	2.00	30.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	77.00
Bent Creek	1 50	1.50	2.00	.....	2.00	7.00
Berea	1.00	20.00	16.00	5.00	6.00	47.00
Big Ivy	1.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	41.00
Biltmore	5.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	85.00
Brown's Chapel	2.50	5.00	2.50	2.50	1.00	13.50
Cane Creek	2.50	40.00	40.00	20.00	10.00	112.50
Flat Creek	2.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	23.00
Gash's Creek	1.00	5.00	10.00	.....	.....	16.00
Hominy	2.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	15.00	42.00
Liberty	1.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	9.00
Macedania	.....	5.00	5.00	5.00	7.00	22.00
Morgan Hill	1.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	15.00	36.00
Mt. Carmel	1.00	5.00	5 00	5.00	7.00	23.00
Pleasant Hill	1.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	19.00
Oak Grove	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00
South Black Mt.	.....	10.00	15.00	.....	5.00	30.00
Swannanoa	1.00	25.00	25.00	1.00	.....	52.00
Vernon Hill	1.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	25.00	51.00
West End	5.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	205.00
Total	$50.00	$1671.50	$771.50	$670.50	$471.00	$3634.50

INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES

N. B. Creasman	.....	.....	$ 1.00	.....	.....	$ 1.00
J. D. Taylor	.....	.....	1.00	.....	$ 1.00	2.00
A. E. Brown	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00
J. J. Britt	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00
A. J. Justice	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00
Mrs. J. M. Campbell	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00
W. S. Roberts	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	2.00
J. N. Morgan	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00
W. T. Bradley	.....	.....	5.00	.....	1.00	6.00
H. Morgan	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	1.00
Joshua Curtis	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	1.00
Mrs. J. T. Justice	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	1.00
Fair View, S. S.	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.00	6.00
J. N. Morgan	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	5.00
Gen. Collection	....	.....	.....	.....	8.11	8.11
Total	.....	.....	34.00	.....	24.11	58.11
Grand Totals	$50.00	$1671.50	$805.50	$670.50	$495.11	$3692.61

CHURCH STATISTICS

Churches	Clerks	Post Offices	Sabbath Meetings	Baptisms	Received by Letter	Restored	Letters Granted	Excluded	Deaths	Ordained Ministers	Male Members	Female Members	Total Membership	Value of Church Property
Antioch	J. P. Dillingham	Democrat	3	1	....	..	4	1	1	2	64	95	159	$ 800
Asheville First Ch	C. S. Davis	Asheville	Each	37	77	..	18	3	7	5	....	....	....	52.000
Beaverdam	E. P. Stradley	Asheville, R.D. No. 1	.....	....	....	..	7	..	1	1	13	23	36	1.000
Bent Creek	Mrs. Z. V. Greene	Biltmore, R.D. No. 1	2	2	....	..	2	1	1	....	18	25	43	200
Berea	J. A. Cordell	Riceville	1	9	3	3	5	..	2	....	26	50	76	1.800
Bethel	W. L. Lunsford	Asheville, R.D. No. 1	.....	6	....	..	5	..	2	2	30	40	70	.....
Big Ivy	A. I. Ingle	Barnardville	2	....	....	..	....	1	3	1	76	103	179	3.500
Biltmore	C. R. Whitaker	Biltmore	Each	1	4	..	4	..	..	1	..	....	100	5.000
Cane Creek	R. A. Morgan	Fairview	2-4	30	1	1	7	4	2	1	75	127	203	2.100
Flat Creek	M. B. Spivey	Homerville	1	....	....	..	12	1	..	1	50	74	124	1.000
Gash's Creek	R. C. Sales	Skyland	.....	6	2	..	....	..	1	1	12	19	31	1.000
Hominy	Levi S. Clarke	Candler	1	9	13	2	11	4	1	3	60	83	143	1.800
Liberty	W. W. Greene	Candler	3	28	23	..	3	2	1	1	29	48	77	1.000
Macedonia	H. C. Hawkins	Juno	2	....	4	..	7	..	..	1	44	77	120	400
Morgan Hill	J. Y. Gentry	Morgan Hill	1	4	6	1	3	6	2	1	58	81	139	1.200
Mt. Carmel	D. E. Ramsey	Juno	1	3	....	..	4	1	2	2	36	46	82	800
Pleasant Hill	J. D. Taylor	Alexdnder	3	2	4	..	6	..	..	1	36	52	88	300
Oak Grove	W. P. Tillery	Jupiter	4	5	....	..	1	..	..	1	23	28	51	200
South Black Mt.	W. J. Daugherty	Black Mountain	....	6	9	..	....	..	..	2	14	17	31	.....
Swannanoa	L. B. Buchanan	Swannanoa	3	4	12	1	....	..	1	1	14	23	37	800
Vernon Hill	A. D. Davis	Candler, R. D. No. 2	.....	2	3	..	2	2	..	1	12	20	32	1.000
West End	W. C. Pennel	Asheville	4	2	16	..	30	4	..	3	69	164	233	6.000
White Rock	L. Y. Israel	Candler	.....	1	2	..	3	..	2	1	37	45	82	.....
Totals	.....	.....	3	159	179	8	134	30	29	33	796	1240	2136	$ 81.900

FINANCIAL TABLE

Churches	Pastors	Pastor's Salaries	Building and Repairs	Incidental	Poor	Asso'al Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday Sch. Missions	Orphanage	Colleges
Antioch	W. T. Bradley	$ 100.00			$ 6.50	$ 30.00	$ 10.00		$ 10.00		$ 14.04	$ 1
Asheville First Ch	Wm. Lunsford	2500.00	$ 773.74	$1924.52	136.79	102.00	593.06	$400.00	1200.00	$200.12	1859.29	50
Beaverdam				15.00		25.00	23.71		40.00		15.00	
Bent Creek	W. H. Hooker	40.00				1.00	2.50		5.00		8.50	
Berea	A. I. Justice	100.00		15.00		15.00	4.00		20.00	6.00	5.00	
Bethel	J. H. McCurry	40.00										
Big Ivy	C. D. Cole	75.00		12.00	86.00	5.48	5.48		5.48		8.00	
Biltmore	E. Allison	200.00	42.00	38.00			22.50	20.00	36.30	5.00	20.00	
Cane Creek	A. I. Justice	150.00		30.00	10.00		17.28	46.00	30.00		8.00	
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradley	50.00	400.00	21.10		6.70	5.00		6.00		6.00	
Gash's Creek	E. Allison	100.00					2.00		3.00			
Hominy	M. R. N. Caldwell	100 00	121.40	7.30	6.57	2.50	10.90	2.50	28.02		3.00	
Liberty	M. R. N. Caldwell	41.00									2.00	
Macedonia	J. A. Bradley	65.00				3.42	3.00		5.00		4.70	
Morgan Hill	W. T Bradley	61.50			8.00	39.00	5.00		5 00		21.25	
Oak Grove	J. M. Pickens	40.00	250.00		14.00		1.50		3.00			
South Black Mt.	E. Allison	60.00					5.00					
Swannanoa	E. Allison	50.00	60.00									
Vernon Hill	W. H. Hooker	15.75		7.46		1.30			27.00		3.16	
West End	O. L. Stringfield	1000.00	500.00	265.00	7.00		50.00	25.00	50.00		49.00	
Mt. Carmel	C. E. Jarvis	75.00	25.00				5.00		10.00		20.00	
Pleasant Hill	J. A. Bradley	40.00		6.00			3.00	2.50	5.00		3.00	
White Rock	S. C. Owen	47.68	5.00	7.00	18.00						5 42	
Totals		$4950.93	$2177.14	$2148.38	$292.86	$231.40	$768.93	$496.00	$1488.80	$211.12	$2055.36	$5

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

Schools	Superintendants	Officers and Teachers	Number of Scholars	Number of Schools	Average Attendance	Volumes in Library	Quarterlies & Papers Taken	Months Kept Open	Baptisms from School	Home Missions	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Poor	Incidentals	Associational Missions	Sunday Sch. Missions	Other Objects	Sunday Sch. Expenses
Antioch	E. B. Goldsmith	9	100	1	60	....	500	12	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 47.00
Asheville First Ch	J. H. Tucker	43	695	3	440	390	321	12	....	.....	.....	$ 145.80	$ 188.66	.....	.....		$ 200 12	.....	567.80
Beaverdam	W. Haynes	6	88	1	38	....	90	12	....	$ 2.66	....	28 10	6.61	.....	..	$10.32	....	.....	16.57
Bent Creek	N. B. Creaseman	8	72	1	35	....	40	12	....	.....	.....	.. ....	6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.43
Berea	J. A. Cordell	7	53	1	40	....	65	12	9	.....	.....	4.00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	6 00	.....	10.70
Bethel	W. H. Earley	4	50	1	35	....	....	12	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.... ..	.....	6.50
Big Ivy	A. I. Ingle	11	132	1	92	....	180	12	....	.....	.....	.....	8.00	$18 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.00
Biltmore	A. S. Whitaker	6	110	1	63	115	146	12	1	5.00	$10.00	15.00	10.00	....	$18.00	.....	5.00	.....	37 40
Cane Creek	S. J. Ashworth	10	130	4	95	....	90	12	25	.....	.....	.....	8.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
Flat Creek	B. H. Sams	5	60	1	34	....	70	12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00
Gash's Creek	T. J. Ingle	6	75	1	50	....	....	12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00
Hominy	Judson Morgan	10	70	1	45	....	144	12	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.70
Liberty	W. W. Greene	9	45	1	35	46	....	12	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00
Macedonia	M. E. Sluder	8	40	1	35	....	....	12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morgan Hill	J. N. Morgan	8	80	1	45	....	90	12	3	.....	..	.....	.....	....	.. ..	.....	.....	.....	8.00
Mt. Carmel	W. M. Sluder	8	54	1	38	....	70	12	.. ..	.....	.....	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.55
Pleasant Hill	R. W. Buckner	4	50	1	25	....	60	12	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Oak Grove	E. A. Roberts	7	40	1	31	....	55	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	...	.....	.....	.....
South Black Mt.	J. B. Hudgins	4	44	1	40	....	50	12	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	12.00
Swannanoa	L. B. Buchanan	6	65	1	45	...	60	12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vernon Hill	E. J. Rhodes	7	75	1	40	....	60	12	....	.....	.....	10.00	2.16	.....	.....	.....	.....	$21.00	25.57
West End	J. B. Grice	11	200	1	125	...	210	12	....	5.00	....	5.00	13.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55.00
White Rock	B. Davis	6	63	....	43	....	24	12	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	.....	203	2291	26	1529	551	2325	...	64	$12.66	$10.00	$ 207 90	$ 262 43	$18.00	$78.00	$10.32	$ 211.12	$21.00	$ 882 22

CONSTITUTION

Article I.—Name.

Section 1.—This body shall be known as "The Buncombe County Baptist Association."

Article II.—Constituency.

Section 1.—This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe county, who shall be recommended by a letter from the Church containing the statistical report hereinafter provided for; Provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Section 2.—Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of the twenty-one.

Section 3.—The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association until its final adjourment.

Article III.

Section 1.—The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Trueasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after reading of the church letters and the enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officres as the Association may direct.

Section 2.—The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mill's Parliamentary Practice.

Section 3.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association, and pay them out on the order of the same.

Section 4.—It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

Article IV.—Object.

Section 1.—It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension, and Temperance.

Article V.—Committees.

Section 1.—At each Annual Meeting, the Moderator shall appoint the following Committees; Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State and Associational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphan-

age, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday Schools, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the Association, and such other Committees as the Association may direct.

Section 2.—It shall be the duties of the Committees to report in writing on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

Article VI.—Executive Board.

Section 1.—This Association at each Annual Meeting shall appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of North Carolina Baptist Convention in supplying the destitute within our bounds.

Article VII.—Church Letters.

Section 1.—The Church letters shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of Church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their postoffices; number baptized; received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and number of deaths during the year; number and sex of members; time of prayer-meetings; amount paid for pastor's salary ; incidental expenses, home missions; and foreign misisons, education, Sunday school and Bible missions; and if for any other object, to be noted.

Report of Sunday schools to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kinds of papers used in the Sunday schools; name and postoffice of the superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

Article VIII.—By-Laws.

Section 1.—This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's "Manuel of Parliamentary Practice."

Article IX.—Meeting.

Section 1.—This body shall meet anualy according to adjournment.

Article X.—Printing.

Section 1.—Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI.—Correspondence.

Section 1.—This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondance with similar bodies by apointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII.—Faith.

Section 1.—This Association disclaims all human creeds or confesisons of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union

and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform, and the only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false asperisions, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for information of others not acquainted with our tenets, for no other purpose.

Section 2.—As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

Article XIII.—Amendment.

Section 1.—This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

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ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Allison, E. ..... Brevard, N. C.
Bradley, A. J. ..... Beach, N. C.
Bradley, W. T. ..... Morgan Hill, N. C.
Blankenship, James ..... Paint Gap, N. C.
Briggs, L. P. ..... Candler, N. C.
Brown, A. E. ..... Asheville, N. C.
Caldwell, M. R. N. ..... Canton, N. C.
Cole, C. D. ..... Hendersonville, N. C.
Colley, J. D. ..... Glen, N. C.
Creasman, W. B. ..... Asheville, N. C.
Goforth, M. A. ..... Asheville, N. C., R. 3.
Gosnel, G. W. ..... Beaverdam, N. C.
Hooker, W. H. ..... Alexander, N. C.
Justice, A. I. ..... Fairview, N. C.
King, T. C. ..... Marshall, N. C.
Kuykendall, W. L. ..... Asheville, N. C.
Lunsford, Wm. ..... Asheville, N. C.
McCurry, J. H. ..... Asheville, N. C., R. 3.
Morgan, E. J. ..... Candler, N. C.
Owen, S. C. ..... Candler, N. C.
Pickens, J. M. ..... Jupiter, N. C.
Pressley, T. M. ..... Biltmore, N. C.
Profit, M. S. ..... Beaverdam, N. C.
Sims, A. H. ..... Asheville, N. C.
Stradley, E. P. ..... Beaverdam, N. C.
Wall, J. O. ..... Spring Mt., N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

THE Buncombe County Baptist Association met in its twenty-sixth annual session with Gash's Creek Baptist Church, August 13th, 1907. Dr. John E. White,of Atlanta, Ga., preached the introductory sermon from Matt. 6:10. Moderator J. P. Morgan, declared the association ready for business and appointed J. M. Stoner, and J. H. Tucker reading clerks. Letters were read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch—Rev. W. T. Bradley, J. H. Woodward, R. D. Buckner, J. P. Dillingham, E. B. Goldsmith.

Asheville First Church—J. M. Stoner, J. T. Justice, Mrs. J. T. Justice, Miss Draughn, Miss Hardcastle, W. C. McConnell, J. H. Tucker, Dr. L. B. McBrayer, Mrs. L. B. McBrayer, Mrs. Mary Starnes, C. D. Creasman.

Beaverdam—W. B. Scarborough, W. M. Harrison, E. P. Stradley,

Bethel—Eddie Sluder, Jessie Wright, J. H. McCurry.

Bent Creek—W. H. Hooker, William Case.

Berea—W. M. Whisenhunt, James Cordell, John Feezor, Mrs. John Feezor.

Big Ivy—A. I. Ingle, J. J. Greenwood, Joshua Buckner.

Biltmore—S. C. Reed, J. W. Baity, J. A. Myers, Mrs. Sue Reed, J. R. Stephens, Frank Patton, Maud Reed, W. D. Galyean, Clara Creasman.

Black Mountain—E. W. Haynes, W. B. Burlison, W. H. Haynes.

Cane Creek—Rev. A. I. Justice, A. H. Pinkerton, Wm. Wright, James Trantham, D. M. Sales, J. L. Ashworth, W. H. Early.

Elk Mountain—R. N. Branson, J. B. Gosnel, C. A. Henderson, Rev. M. S. Profit.

Flat Creek—W. S. Roberts.

Gash's Creek—J. A. Brookshire, T. J. Ingle, T. M. Stevens.

Hominy—S. C. Owen, Levi S. Clark, Robert Hutchison, J. P. Morgan.

Jupiter—L. S. Roberts, R. L. McLean, W. R. Tillery.

Liberty—W. W. Green, J. H. Holcombe, Frank Monday.

Macedonia—J. G. Rymer, H. B. Miles, Eddie Sluder, Robert Sluder.

Morgan Hill—B. F. Arrowood, J. P. Morgan, S. J. Morgan, Rev. W. T. Bradley.

Mt. Carmel—Rev. A. J. Bradley, S. J. Rymer, L. Plemmons, L. D. Brookshire, H. Plemmons.

Mt. View—B. F. Burnett, F. M. Burnett, J. L. Burnett.

New Salem—F. M. Presley, J. M. Green, J. M. Butler.

Palestine—J. M. Kilpatrick, Wesley Presley.

Pleasant Hill—F. W. Kuykendall.

Pleasant Grove—Etta Garren, L. L. Sherrill.

Reems Creek—W. J. Silver, Hermon Tomberlin, Samuel Marrow.

S. Black Mt.—Rev. E. Buchanan, W. H. Denney, Ruben Buchanan,

Spring Mt.—

Swannanoa—L. B. Buchanan, J. M. Barnwell.

Vernon Hill—W. S. Justice, S. O. Ingram, Mrs. Young, Mrs, Justice, Mrs. Brown.

West End—Lee Duckett, J. L. Welch, W. E. Logan, H. A. Brown.

J. P. Morgan resigned as moderator on account of failing health, but was re-elected with the privilege of calling any one he wished to assist him.

C. D. Creasman was re-elected clerk for ensuing year.

J. M. Stoner was re-elected treasurer for the ensuing year.

Rev. W. T. Bradley was re-elected historian for ensuing year.

Moderator announced committee on order of business and instructed them to report immediately after dinner.

Adjournment for dinner.

Convened at 1 p. m. Opened with song service and prayer led by Brother A. H. Sims.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed:

S. F. Conrad, representing North Carolina Baptist; W. R. Bradshaw, Dr. John E. White, of Atlanta, Ga.; T. H. Plemmons, of Ky.; T. Bright, of Ga.; E. Allison; E. Buchanan; Archibald Johnson, representing Charity and Children; S. W. Hall, representing, The Piedmont Evangelist.

Committe on Order of Business reported the following:

Tuesday—12:00 a. m., Organization.
1:00 p. m., Dinner.
2:00 p. m., Recognition of visitors and discussion of Home Missions.
4:00 p. m., Periodicals.

Wednesday— 9:00 a. m., Devotional exercises.
9:30 a. m., Woman's work.
10:00 a. m., State Missions.
10:45 a. m., Foreign Missions.
11:30 a. m., Education.
12:00 a. m., Dinner.
1:00 p. m., Historian's report.
2:00 p. m., Temperance report.
3:00 p. m., State of Churches.
3:30 p. m., Orphanage.

Thursday— 9:30 a. m., Devotional exercises.
10:00 a. m., B. Y. P. U.
11:00 a. m., Sunday-Schools.
11:30 a. m., Appointment of Executive Board and announcement of committees for ensuing year.
12:00 a. m., Miscellaneous business.

A. I. Justice announced the following committees:

Foreign Missions—Dr. L. B. McBrayer, S. J. Morgan, W. S. Roberts.

State Missions—A. E. Brown, J. A. Cordell, J. T. Justice.

Education—A. I. Justice, W. H. Hooker, J. H. Woodward, A. H. Pinkerton.

Home Missions—Dr. Wm. Lunsford, J. P. Dillingham, J. H. Holcombe.
Sunday-Schools—J. H. Tucker, R. A. Morgan, A. H. Sims.
Temperance—E. J. Morgan, Levi S. Clark, W. A. Robertson.
State of Churches—W. T. Bradley, R. D. Buckner, G. W. Sales.
Orphanage—J. M. Stoner, H. B. Miles, L. D. Brookshire.
Woman's Work—J. A. Brookshire, Eli Garren, J. O. Wall.
B. Y. P. U.—F. F. Brown, E. Allison.
Periodicals—J. M. Stoner, A. H. Sims.

Committee on Home Missions made the following report, which was adopted after an address by Dr. John E. White.

Home Missions.

Home Missions is the work that Southern Baptists are doing in obedience to the Great Commission at home just as Foreign Missions is the work they are doing in obedience to the Great Commission in foreign countries.

The Home Mission Board is the agency instituted by them for the purpose of eliciting, combining and directing the zeal of all the Baptists in the South upon the task of advancing the Baptist cause all over the South and of cooperating with all Baptist agencies in the different states in the work of preaching the Gospel, building churches and organizing the Baptist forces to the one sacred end of bringing the Kingdom of God both at home and abroad.

The broadest appeal before a Baptist in the South is the appeal for the support of the Home Mission Board.

The work of that Board touches Baptist progress at every point. It embraces the interests of State Missions in a sympathetic cooperation and leaves the administration in the hands of the State Boards. It assists the Sunday-School Board in a mutual helpfulness by extending the use of Southern Baptist periodicals and literature through its missionaries.

It is a mighty agency in the promotion of Foreign Missions through the establishment of churches and the development of the spirit of world-wide evangelization. It rejoices in the fact that a part of every dollar contributed to the support of its work is helpful directly in the creation of a base of supply both of men and money for the greater and increasingly greater enterprise of Foreign Missions Southern Baptists are to be engaged in in the years to come. Southern Baptists are realizing as never before that Home Missions is fundemental to all our cause in the South. The Buncombe County Association is especially interested in Home Missions and its churches should increase their contributions for the work of the Home Mission Board for the following reasons:

1st. Buncombe County Baptists are a part of the great Baptist family of the South and this Board is the agency through which Southern Baptists are brought into organized fellowship with reference to their common cause.

It is through the Home Mission work that the Baptist individual and church in this association will obtain the inspiration of a broad outlook upon the wonderful progress Southern Baptists are making and the still more remarkable opportunities they are now confronting in the providence of God.

2d. The Home Mission Board was the unfailing helper to the Baptist cause in this section during the existence of the old Western North Carolina Convention and has been in constant cooperation with North Carolina Baptists through the State Mission Board in the great work of the North Carolina State Convention.

3rd. The Home Mission Board is appropriating during the present year more than $10,000. for the promotion of Baptist interests in Western North Carolina alone.

4th. The Home Mission Board is in great need of increased contributions to carry through successfully the work it has undertaken for the current year.

Under instructions from the Southern Baptist Convention held in the city of Richmond, Va., in the month of May, the Board has increased its obligations more than $100,000.

If the Buncombe County churches bear this part of this advance every church will pledge an increase of one-third over its last year's contribution. The church which has been giving $10.00 to Home Missions will increase to $15.00 and so on.

If this is not done one of two things will have to be done. The churches of other associations will have to give the share that justly belongs to the Buncombe County churches or the Board will have to report a debt at the end of the year.

DR. WM. LUNSFORD,
J. P. DILLINGHAM,
J. H. HOLCOMBE,
Committee.

Committee on Periodicals reported as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

To the Buncombe County Association:—

We come with the same plea as before begging our people to put good clean religious literature (Baptist literature at that) in your homes. No one agency will have more to do with shaping the religious belief of the children and young people than the constant reading of our denominational papers. We believe every word we have said about the effect for good to those who supply themselves and homes with good Baptist papers and we will not attempt to say what we believe and know will be the calamity to the children, the home, and the Baptist cause in the state if our people do not furnish the rising generation with the best Baptist papers to be had. We therefore recommend first the Bibical Recorder and Charity and Children, one the organ of our Baptist State Convention, the other the life and inspiration of our orphanage. We would further recommend the North Carolina Baptist, Piedmont Evengelist, Our Home and Field and Foreign Mission Journal, all of which are pure and sound to the core and will be of untold good whereever they go.

J. M. STONER,
A. H. SIMS.
Committee.

Report was adopted after speeches by S. F. Conrad, S. W. Hall, Dr. John E. White, T. H. Plemmons and J. H. Tucker.

Adjourned.

Wednesday morning session convened at 9 o'clock. Devotional exercises conducted by W. T. Bradley.

Moderator appointed the pastor and deacons of Gash's Creek church as devotional committee.

The following committee on time and place was announced: J. J. Greenwood, J. L. Ashworth, L. Plemmons, J. A. Brookshire, E. Buchanan, W. S. Roberts.

Committee on Woman's Work reported as follows and report was adopted after discussion by A. I. Justice, Miss Draughn, T. H. Plemmons and Mrs. Mary Starnes.

Woman's Work.

Your committee on Woman's Work report as follows:

We find that the women, the young ladies and the children of the Association have given about $1,300 for missions.

While this is very gratifying, yet we feel that they, with proper encouragement, would have accomplished much more. Of all the churches reporting only six report Woman's Societies, five Sunbeam Bands and one a Young Ladies Band. If these few acomplished so much, what would the result have been if the women of all the churches had been at work?

We wish to emphasize especially the importance of the Young Women's Training School. This school is for the training of our young women for the mission fields. While it is owned and controlled by the Woman's Missionary Union, yet it is under the direct supervision of the Theological Seminary at Louisville and the young ladies have all the advantages of the lectures and teachings of the professors of the Seminary.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. BROOKSHIRE,
ELI GARREN,
J. O. WALL,
Committee.

Committee recommended the admission of Elk Mt. and Reem's Creek Churches into the association. By motion they were admitted.

Committee on State Missions made following report which was adopted after discussion by W. R. Bradshaw, and after being amended:

State Missions.

North Carolina is growing rapidly. Towns are springing up in a single day. Every dollar invested in our state ought to mean more money for state missions. We have invited capital and it has come with all of its attendant ills. We have not met it with state mission money and consequently North Carolina has become the dumping grounds for all the semi-religious garbage of the earth. However, from a small sum invested years ago, the amount is now $30,000, with prospects of its reaching $50,000. We have over a hundred missionaries including some of the most consecrated ministers in the state. The Lord approves of their work and will multiply their number if we make it possible for them to stay in our state. It seems to be true that the Lord calls ministers at about the same rate that we

support them. With the present encouragement and such a wonderful opportunity now open for us can we afford to do less than secure liberal contributions from all the members of all the churches? If it costs suffering, let us "suffer with Christ that we may also be glorified with Him."

A. E. BROWN,
J. A. CORDELL,
J. T. JUSTICE,
Committee.

Amendment.

Resolved, that we request the State Mission Board, if in its wisdom it can see its way clear, to appropriate One Thousand Dollars for work in the Association, with a view to the development of our Churches; provided, pastors can be obtained to do the work.

Adjournment for dinner.

Afternoon session convened at 1.00 p. m. Prayer service lead by W. A. Robertson.

Historian read following report:

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

The oldest Association in Western North Carolina is the French Broad. It was organized in 1807, at French Broad church, in Henderson county, and was named from the French Broad river. It was principally situated at that time in the County of Buncombe, the boundaries of which were then very large.

Its boundaries now are principally those of Madison county.

At the time of its formation it was composed of six churches: Little Ivy, Locust Old Field, Cane River, New Found, French Broad and Cane Creek. Little Ivy, Locust Old Field and New Found having been dismissed from the Holston Association in Tennessee, and the other three were dismissed from the Broad River Association in South Carolina.

The ministers which it contained at that time were Thomas Snelson, Thomas Justice, Scion Blythe, Benj. King, Humphrey Posey, Stephen Morgan. Locust Old Field church was constituted in 1803, Little Ivy in 1796, French Broad in 1789, Cane Creek in 1806, New Found in 1802 (and its church meetings have always been held on the 3rd Sunday and Saturday before in each month.) Humphrey Posey was at one time its pastor. Cane River was organized about 1805.

Humphrey Posey was ordained at Cane Creek Church at its constitution, and elected its pastor. He so remained till 1813. He then went out to the Western counties, taking his membership from here, and lived for many years in Macon and Cherokee counties, in the meantime making a trip on horse-back to Philadelphia in the interest of the mission he had on Hiawassee river. From there he went to Georgia and died at a ripe old age.

Stephen Morgan was ordained at Cane Creek church in 1807. Brother Posey said: "Brother Morgan, it is not best for two ordained ministers to be in one church, and of us ought to move, you are the younger man," Soon afterwards Brother Morgan went to North

Buncombe, purchased land and settled at Morgan Hill. He was one of the pioneer preachers of this mountain section. He traveled through Yancey and Mitchell counties, organizing the first churches in them. He organized Flat Creek church in 1811, and was its pastor almost continuously till the day of his death. He was clerk of the Association, and rode on horse-back to Knoxville, Tenn., to have the minutes printed.

He preached for Grassy Creek church, in Mitchell county, about forty years, missing only two monthly appointments. At one of his meetings of this church a lady, who lived 12 miles away, joined and asked to be baptized the next day. She admitted that her husband knew nothing of her intention to join the church, whereupon Brother Morgan said: "One of you deacons must go and let him know." Her husband returned with the deacon the next day and found the assembly at the water. Brother Morgan said to him, "Your wife gave us an experience of grace yesterday, and I thought it would be right to let you know about it." Her husband replied, "I am much obliged to you, sir; if you had baptized my wife without letting me know, I would have indicted you, though it is all right now, you may baptize her." Brother Morgan said, "I will pray the Lord to have mercy on you." The next meeting he baptized him.

In the year 1859 he was laid to rest in Flat Creek Cemetery.

The Baptists cause kept spreading, other churches being organized and uniting with the French Broad Association until it covered a large part of Western North Carolina, as well as a scrap of Eastern Tennessee.

From this old Association a number of the neighboring ones have sprung. Big Ivy Association was an offspring of French Broad. About the year 1828 an unhappy split took place in the French Broad Association on principles of doctrine. One branch inclined to Calvinists, the other to the Armenian side of the controversy. The ministers of this body at the time of its formation were Garrett Dewese, H. Masters and M. Peterson. The division in the French Broad lasted till about 1855, when they met at Flat Rock and united; French Broad retaining its old name. Old Brother Daniel Carter, a leading Baptist and a good citizen, said, "If I could see the Associations united, I would be willing to die." He rode ten miles to Flat Rock church, witnessed the happy union, returned home that night, and died next morning.

Tuckaseegee Association was organized in 1829, and was also a branch of the Old French Broad. It is situated chiefly in the counties of Macon and Haywood.

Salem Association bears date of 1838. It came from the same old mother Association. It began with nine ordained ministers, viz; R. Jordan, J. Cantrell, Thos. Stradley, James Blythe, B. Bruce, Merritt Rickman, W. Mince, J. Evans and Jos. Kendall. It had some four hundred members. Two of the churches of this Association were in Buncombe county, others being in Henderson county.

Valley Association was founded in 1839. Its first name was Notley River, but a year later it took its present name. Its bounds are those of the counties of Polk, bordering on the State of Georgia.

Later on Rhone Mountain Association was organized, its churches being in the counties of Yancey and Mitchell. About 1870 this Association divided, forming a new one by the name of Black Mountain.

The churches of the New Found Association are in Buncombe and Madison counties.

Three Forks Association was organized in 1840, with thirteen churches and seven pastors. All the churches were then in Ashe county, except one.

There were still other Associations organized, but information concerning them is scanty.

Nearly all the Associations now bear the name of the counties in which they are situated.

In the winter of 1882 some of the brethren, the writer being one, met at Old Bethel Church, in Buncombe county, to consider the propriety of organizing a county Association. As a result the organization was effected in the following September at Flat Creek Church. Elder J. W. Hooker preached the introductory sermon. L. W. Sams was elected moderator, W. W. Wells, clerk, and John W. Starnes, historian; next year the Association met at Berea church, and the same officers were again chosen. Antioch, a new church, was received into the Association.

We had present at that meeting Dr. J. L. M. Curry and Joseph E. Carter. Brother Carter preached a great Missionary sermon from the text, "The Word of God is not bound." Dr. Curry following along the same line of thought with a beautiful address. The meeting was a great one.

The next meeting place was at Hominy church, the same officers being again chosen and a glorious meeting followed. The next meeting was at Cane Creek church, where Dr. Carroll preached the introductory sermon, after which he was elected moderator.

The next year Big Ivy entertained the body, and in the year following the various churches in their turn.

We have had for our moderators, L. W. Sams, A. E. Brown, A. I. Justice, Judson Morgan, Dr. Carroll, W. T. Bradley and J. P. Morgan, the last named at different times and has been moderator every session since 1900.

Brother John M. Stoner has rendered excellent service as treasurer of our Association for many years past.

When our Association met with Fern Hill church, Biltmore, in 1894, we agreed to pay the salary of Miss Lottie Price as missionary to China, and soon thereafter she sailed to her field of labor. She was faithful in her work until failing health brought about her return to America some three years ago.

Our Ministers.

The following are the names of some of our faithful ministers who have labored in this section of the country: S. M. Collis, who a few years ago passed away at Bakersville, was a hard worker and a good preacher. The greater part of his work was in the counties of Yancey and Mitchell, though he traveled and preached over the whole Western North Carolina. He organized the first Missionary Baptist churches in Alleghany county. After a long and useful life his remains were laid to rest in Bakersville, N. C. At the time of his death Judge Bynum was holding court at Bakersville. He adjourned court in honor of the good man, and the members of the bar passed resolutions and made speeches in commendation of his noble life.

Robt. Patterson of Buncombe county, a man of great influence, a

good man and a good pastor, did the greater part of his work in Buncombe and Madison counties. He died in the year 1876.

J. W. Hooker entered the ministry in early life, preached in French Broad and New Found Associations, served as pastor of many churches, and was considered an able minister.

L. L. Branson, who died at his home in Madison county in 1873, was a doctrinal preacher and contended earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints.

L. W. Sams, who died in 1896 at Mars Hill, entered the ministry when a young man, served churches and held meetings in Buncombe, Madison, Yancey and East Tennessee. His time was generally filled up for a long number of years. He was a good preacher and a safe pastor.

Rev. T. M. Honeycutt also died at Mars Hill some five years ago. He had been in the ministry for thirty years, and in the pastorate a greater part of this time. His labors as missionary in Alleghaney and Ashe counties deserve especial mention. The writer was with him in many revival meetings and associations. He sacrificed greatly in the upbuilding of Mars Hill College.

W. W. Wells of Buncombe county, one of our best preachers, a good pastor, and a splendid planer in the Lord's work, died suddenly at a session of the Western North Carolina Convention, and Brother Jos. E. Carter said next morning, "Brethren, the man of our Convention is dead."

Brother Harrington of Franklin, N. C., a well prepared minister, was called to his Heavenly home in early life.

Dudley Brown, a brother of A. E. Brown, a splendid young minister, was conducting a meeting at Enon, in Transylvania county, preached at night, went home with one of the brethren and died before daylight.

Thos. Stradley came here from England and was one of the pioneer Baptist ministers of this country. He organized the First Baptist Church of Asheville in 1829 and was its pastor for about forty-five years, during which time he built a splendid house of worship. He traveled in the north to secure funds to pay off the indebtedness, which was incurred in building the church for which his own home was mortgaged. About the year 1875 on account of old age and feeble health, he retired from the pastorate of the church, and some years later died at a ripe age at his home on Beaver Dam.

Merritt Rickman of Macon county was another pioneer Baptist preacher and was held in high esteem among our people.

Levi Deweese, William Sprinkle, Jacob Metcalf, W. K. Briggs, William Reece, Adam Corn, Matt Corn, John Capps, G. W. Mace, Joseph Blythe, James Collis, the Buchanans, the Silvers, J. Enoch Morgan, Mingus, Henry Gilbert, Joseph Miller, John K. Conley, William Keith, and many others whose names we do not recall, have made great sacrifices in preaching the gospel in this mountain section. All of these have gone to their reward.

Rev. N. Bowen came from Tennessee about the year 1858 and settled at Hendersonville, N. C. He was a great expounder of God's word, faithful in preaching the gospel, and labored arduously in helping to build Judson College. He went to his rest at a ripe old age in the year 1882.

Denominational Papers.

In 1850 the Rev. James Blythe and James Bryan edited the Carolina Baptist which was the first Baptist paper we ever had in this mountain section. The next Baptist paper was the Telescope, edited by Prof. W. A. G. Brown about the year 1859. Following him Brother N. Bowen edited the Telescope in 1859 and also the Cottage Visitor in 1867. We should here mention that in the year 1878 Rev. John Ammons edited the Baptist Gleaner at Asheville, N. C.

D. B. Nelson came from Tennessee during the Civil War. He was an able and faithful minister of the gospel, and ably edited our Baptist paper known at that time as the Blue Ridge Baptist; later on it was called the Asheville Baptist. This was about the year 1890. Joseph Carter followed D. B. Nelson as owner and proprietor of the Western North Carolina Baptist which merged with the Recorder.

In 1891 J. A. Speight succeeded D. B. Nelson as editor of the Asheville Baptist. J. D. Boone in 1897 edited the North Carolina Baptist, and still later N. P. Matheny edited the Sounthern Baptist.

Our last paper, the Skyland Baptist, was published by Brother Woodall at Mars Hill and Clyde; it has recently merged with the Piedmont Baptist, edited by O. L. Stringfield and Bayliss Cade.

Elder F. M. Jordan came to this section from Eastern North Carolina about 1875. In his broad career of usefulness, he has preached and baptized all over the state of North Carolina. He is now 78 years old, lives in Transylvania county and is pastor of three churches. He has ever been one of our strongest advocates of temperance.

Rev. E. Allison of Brevard, our evangelist, who has been in the ministry for some fifty years, is still holding meetings, serving churches and baptized new converts. He is now pastor of Biltmore, Gashes Creek, Swannanoa, Inanda, South Black Mountain and Mountain View.

J. W. Anderson, who died at his home in Asheville last May, has been a faithful minister for a long number of years. He had passed his 89th birthday.

John Ammons, of Mars Hill, is is now about 75 years of age, has been in the ministry for more than fifty years, and has for many years been considered one of our ablest ministers. He traveled for three years as corresponding secretary of the Western North Carolina Convention, also as Sunday School Missionary. He is in feeble health but still preaching.

Jacob Wild of New Found Association has been in the ministry for more than fifty years, having retired from active work on account of old age.

We have a number of other preachers in this mountain section, some of whom are doing great good, others of whom are doing but little. Yet so far as we know they are all men of good repute.

We are at this time sorely in need of energetic pastors for our country churches. These are churches without pastors and pastors without churches. "Let us pray, therefore, the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into the harvest, for the harvest is great and the laborers are few."

Small salaries have been paid the preachers in this section, though they have traveled, preached and built up churches in this part of the state, till some one has said, "There is hardly room for another Baptist church in Western North Carolina."

Baptists have ever been the friends and patrons of education.. As early as 1857, when this section was little more than a wilderness, the French Broad Association established Mars Hill College. Prof. W. A. G. Brown, who had just graduated at Mossy Creek College, Tennessee, became its first president. After serving the school two years, he moved to Hendersonville, N. C., to edit the Baptist Telescope, as has already been stated.

He was succeeded by Rev. J. D. Marsh. The school flourished until the outbreak of the Civil War, during which time two of the buildings were destroyed and the other greatly damaged. But under various teachers its existence has been maintained though at times it was little more than a public school.

In the year 1890, Professors T. M. Huffham and John E. White, both of whom haud just graduated from Wake Forest College, were given charge of the school. Under their administration a new building was erected, and the school began to show signs of its former prosperity.

They were followed by Professors J. M. Cheek, J. H. Yarboro, C. P. Sapp, A. E. Booth and M. A. Maury. After them came its present principal, R. M. Moore, under whose management great progress has been made. New buildings have been added and its future seems assured.

About the time Mars Hill College was being established, a movement was set on foot by Rev. N. Bowen to establish a school for girls at Hendersonville, which was known as Judson College. In September, 1859, at Scotts Creek camp ground, Jackson county, a mass meeting was held in the interest of this school. It was there stated that the contract for the building had been let.

A large three story stone building was erected, but before it was finished the Civil War broke out and the work was not only suspended but the property was greatly damaged, and not until 1879 was the work of repairing and finishing begun.

Prof. W. A. G. Brown, who had returned to Tennessee, was called to its presidency. The idea of making it a girls school was abandoned, and it became co-educational.

Prof. Brown was succeeded by Rev. W. C. McCarthy, who was in turn succeeded by J. B. Boone.

The school did great good, notwithstanding it was greatly hampered by debts, for which it was finally sold thus passing forever out of the hands of the denomination, and is now the property of the town of Hendersonville, in which the graded school is taught.

The loss of Judson College so paralyzed our people that for some years nothing was done along educational lines. In the meantime, the Western Convention had united with the State Convention. In 1898 Rev. A. E. Brown, a son of Prof. W. A. G. Brown, was elected Asst. Corresponding Secretary of the State Convention. He at once set about organizing a system of Baptist Academies for the mountain region of the state.

About this time Rev. A. I. Justice projected Fruitland Institute, which with Mars Hill College, was incorporated into the system.

We now have nine well organized academies with fairly good equipments which are being improved each year.

The other schools of the system are Yancey Collegiate Institute,

Burnsville; Bowman Academy, Bakersville; Haywood Institute, Clyde; Sylva Institute, Sylva; Murphy Institute, Murphy; Broad Valley Institute, Penrose; Round Hill Academy, Union Mills; and Lenoir Academy, at Lenoir. In these schools were gathered last year about fifteen hundred boys and girls. The aggregate value of this Baptist school property is about, $75,000. It is but just to record that the generous hand of the Home Mission Board has made the establishment and maintenance of this system of schools possible.

The Western Baptist Convention.

In 1844, the State Convention appointed a delegation to meet with the Western brethren to consult with them the best means of co-operating with the State Convention. Of the nine men appointed on this committee, only one, J. J. James, was able to meet with them. Out of this movement sprang the Western Baptist Convention which was organized at Boiling Springs in Henderson county in 1845, as an auxiliary to the State Convention.

With the organization of the Convention a bright day was ushered in for the Baptists of the west. In 1857 at Berea church, in Buncombe county, it resolved itself into an independent body and from that day has conducted all the departments of the work independently until the time of its dissolution. At that time the Convention claimed all the territory west of Salisbury, but as a rule there were not many of the Associations east of the Blue Ridge that met with the Western Convention. In the year 1858, it held its session at Taylorsville, in Alexander county; this was the farthest east the Convention ever convened.

At its session in the year 1879, the Mission, Educational and Sunday School Boards were created, which rendered the work of the Convention more efficient. At the session of 1887, the Mission and Sunday School Boards were consolidated. The Convention of this year appointed four delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention. The reports for the year 1890 showed great progress. Every Association had a missionary traveling and preaching in its territory. Many churches reported great revivals. Gifts for Home and Foreign Missions were increased.

Elder John Ammons was elected Corresponding Secretary in 1889, and did faithful service for more than two years.

In 1892 John P. Morgan was elected and served four years, followed by S. C. Owen, who served some two years. These men traveled through Western North Carolina collecting funds, stirring up churches advocating missions and Sunday Schools.

John P. Morgan, also under the appointment of the Convention, as Sunday School Missionary, visited the churches of Buncombe, Madison and Yancey, distributing bibles, religious literature and organizing Sunday Schools.

In the year 1894 the Woman's Missionary Union was organized as an auxiliary to the Convention. Its sessions are held annually during the course of the Convention.

This organization rendered valuable service and helped to swell the contributions of the Convention.

In the year 1898 when the Convention met at Hendersonville, it decided to dissolve and unite with the State Convention. The next year the State Convention met with the First Church at Asheville.

Our Churches.

About the year 1875, Dr. John Mitchell succeeded Brother Stradley as pastor of First Church, at Asheville, and under his faithful labors the church flourished and has been in a prosperous condition ever since, under its various pastors. They now have a splendid house of worship, valued at $52,000. The minutes give it a total membership of 964; the church pays the salary of Charles Kelsey Dozier and wife, who sailed to their field of labor in Japan last year. They have also agreed to give one-tenth of all money raised in the church to Foreign Missions. Last year's minutes show that this church contributed to all objects $13,820.15. It is pleasant to know that the church is in a flourishing condition under its present pastor, Dr. Lunsford.

There were 23 churches represented in our Association last year. The minutes show the total contributions to be $19,253.33. These churches reported the value of church property at $81,900.00.

There were 26 Sunday Schools reported last year, with 203 officers and teachers and 2,291 pupils.

Several of our churches reported Woman's Missionary Societies and Baptist Young People's Unions last year.

The place of our meeting was Hominy Baptist Church. Dr. Lunsford preached the introductory sermon. John P. Morgan was re-elected moderator; C. D. Creasman, clerk; John M. Stoner, treasurer and W. T. Bradley, historian.

Changes in the pastorates are as follows: Rev. Harrison Hooker resigned at Inanda and Rev. E. Allison was chosen pastor. Rev. O. L. Stringfield resigned at West End and has gone to the Piedmont section of the state, being followed at West End by Brother A. H. Sims. Charley Jervis resigned at Mount Carmel and J. A. Bradley was called. Rev. James Pickens gave up the church at Oak Grove and T. C. King was chosen pastor. Brother A. I. Justice is pastor at Fairview, Berea and Beaverdam. Brother S. C. Owen is pastor at Liberty, which church he dedicated last May. Rev. James Blankenship is pastor at Black Mountain church. Rev. Presley, pastor of Palestine. J. O. Wall, pastor of Spring Mountain.

New Churches.

Rev. M. S. Profit constituted a new church at Beaverdam by the name of Elk Mountain. Rev. J. A. Bradley constituted Reems Creek Church.

New Buildings.

Gash's Creek has built a splendid stone church during the past year at a cost of $3,500.

Received by baptism, 273.

Lost by death, 37.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. BRADLEY,

Historian.

Report adopted.

Committee on Foreign Missions made the following report:

Foreign Missions.

One command of our Saviour is as important as another. If it is necessary for those who believe on his name to obey the command to

be baptized, it is also necessary for us to obey the command "Go into all the world and teach all nations, etc."

We are pleased to note in the minutes of this Association for last year that only four of the twenty-three churches in this Association failed to report contributions to Foreign Missions. The largest contribution, of course, was by the First Baptist Church of Asheville—twelve hundred dollars. The others range from fifty dollars to three dollars. Total contributed by all the churches in this Association for the year ending August, 1906, was fourteen hundred and eighty-eight dollars. All except two hundred and eighty-eight dollars contributed by the First Baptist Church.

We feel that in this county which is among the largest tax payers of the state, with the era of prosperity that pervades every home, the churches could double their contributions to Foreign Missions and still not do their whole duty.

We would respectfully suggest that during the coming year the pastors make special effort to lay the work of Foreign Missions upon the minds and hearts of their people.

Respectfully submitted,

L. B. McBRAYER,
S. J. MORGAN,
W. S. ROBERTS.

Report adopted after an address by T. H. Plemmons.

Committee on Temperance reported the following, which was adopted after speeches by J. H. Tucker, S. C. Owen and T. H. Plemmons.

TEMPERANCE.

Intemperance is condemed by the scriptures. The liquor traffic is condemned by all who possess a sense of moral obligation. The manufacture and sale of liquor is such a monstrous crime the church and the world are rising against it to blot it from the face of the earth. The bible denounces it as the father of crime, of woe and sorrow, and commands us not even to look upon it when it giveth its color to the cup. The barroom is the hot-bed of anarchy, sedition and murder. It is not a licensed business, it is a licensed crime. It has perpetuated itself through the evil machinations of politics. It has controlled politics and politicians to the everlasting shame and disgrace of civilized government. Its home is in the darkest regions of the bottomless pit, and it is an intruder upon earth, permitted only by the loose morals of Christian men. A drunken father rises with hatchet in hand and drives it into the brain of his three children. The church member voted for the men who licensed the bar-keeper to sell the whiskey that made the unnatural father commit that awful tragedy. On Valley street is a row, two policemen appeared and are shot down. A third one is killed. A posse chase the murderer and kill him. Back of it all on Valley street is a half-empty bottle. Back of the bottle is the liquor saloon. Back of the saloon is the law and back of the law is the church member.

A woman runs a boarding house on College Street, a brute enters, and with drawn pistol he shoots ball after ball through that woman's heart and turning the pistol on himself he blows out his own

life. Do you ask if he was crazy? He was drunk. Behind this was the legalized saloon permitted by the votes of church members.

In the Y. M. C. A. building the sharp, cruel crack of a pistol is heard, a young man is weltering in his own blood, suicide, drunk. This is the result of the bar-room, and the bar-rooms exist because church members vote for officers who favor the liquor traffic.

In Asheville the Salvation Army has good, consecrated women working in the slums and dives. One entered a bar-room to speak to a poor sinner, the bar-keeper took hold of her, led her to the door and kicked her into the street like a dog. Where else could that have happened except in a bar-room? That bar-keeper holds his license by permission of the church members of Buncombe county.

How long, oh how long shall innocent women and children suffer the intolerable curse of the saloon? Let us rise in our might and help sweet it from our dear old county.

Asheville will attempt to drive it out by a vote within a short while. While failure is not expected, but if Asheville fails then we recommend that our people join with other churches and good people and organize Anti-Saloon Leagues in every community in the county and fight the saloon in God's name until we conquer.

That the Baptists of Buncombe county declare in Association assembled that they favor statutory prohibition, and hereby pledge ourselves to join with the prohibitionists of the state to demand of the next legislature to pass a prohibition bill for the whole state.

E. J. MORGAN,
LEVI S. CLARK,
W. A. ROBERTSON,
Committee.

The following report was made by committee on Sunday Schools:

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Judging from the statistics gathered from the letters sent to this Association one might conclude that the Baptists of Buncombe are little concerned about the salvation of their children. If it be a fact, as asserted, that eighty per cent of all church members come from the Sunday School then the Sunday School scholar has four chances of salvation as against one to the child kept out. If heaven is worth winning the parent who keeps out or suffers his child to keep out of Sunday School is a criminal in the sight of High Heaven. Let the Baptists of Buncombe county awake to the fact that our children are lost without the redeeming grace; that the Sunday School is a means to this grace, and our duty demands the training of our children in a way to win them. A lost soul? eternally lost! A lost child? eternally lost!! and that *MY CHILD!!!* God help us to realize it. It is worth all the time, all the care, all the trouble and all the costs to save eighty per cent of somebody's boys and girls. The reason not more are saved is because not more are at work. May the God of mercy help us to see a lost and dying world and awake us from our lethargy!

The Buncombe County District Sunday School Conventions have not been successful except in the Asheville and Big Ivey Districts. The Asheville District holds its Convention every third Sunday afternoon with different churches, and is doing good work. It attempts to reach every community in the District during the year.

The Big Ivey District is a great success. It holds its sessions every fifth Sunday, rotating through the district and culminating in an annual convention in the summer. The last convention was held with the Barnardsville Church the fifth Sunday in June. The Hon. R. B. Glenn, Governor of North Carolina, and Prof. John E. Ray, Principal of the Blind Institute of Raleigh, were the speakers. The crowd represented several different counties and were estimated at 3000 persons. These brethren made great speeches and gave our cause a new impetus in North Buncombe.

What these districts have done others may do, if they would.

Behold the field is white unto the harvest, cast in your sickle and reap.

J. H. TUCKER,
R. A. MORGAN,
A. H. SIMS,
Committee.

Report adopted after speech by Archibald Johnson.

Committee on Education reported. Report adopted after speech by A. I. Justice.

EDUCATION.

One of the most encouraging signs of progress we see in our noble state is the rapidly increasing manifestation of interest our people are taking in the cause of education.

We are rapidly moving up into the front rank among the states of the Union in the work of education. It is gratifying to note, that while the state is moving forward with such rapid strides in the interest of public education our denominational schools are not lagging in interest or efficiency.

Our High Schools and Academies were never so well equipped nor so well attended as now. We believe that our denominational schools and colleges are so well entrenched in the minds and hearts of our people that the tide of state high schools and increased appropriation to state colleges cannot sweep them away.

The Baptist of North Carolina have become the great power that they are today under God through the agency of their schools. They realize this and hence the effort they are making for better equipment and larger endowment. Our last state Convention which was held at Greensboro decided to add $150,000 to the endowment fund of Wake Forest College. Prof. J. B. Carlyle was put into the field to raise the money. His success in the work thus far has been marvelous. He has astonished himself. The people have responded nobly to the call wherever the appeal has been made. The Buncombe County Association is expected to do its part in raising this fund. Let us see to it that we stand by our schools by contributing to them, patronizing them and supporting them in every way we can.

Respectfully submitted,

A. I. JUSTICE,
W. H. HOOKER,
J. H. WOODWARD,
A. H. PINKERTON,

Adjournment.

Thursday morning session convened at 9:30. Devotional exercises conducted by S. C. Owen.

Committee on B. Y. P. U. reported as follows:

B. Y. P. U.

When we urge the propagation of the B. Y. P. U. we cannot but speak in behalf of the Baptist young people, for whom it was organized. In speaking in their behalf we simply champion the progress of the denomination and the coming of the Kingdom of our Lord. We therefore urge that every church in this Association not having a B. Y. P. U., or a similar organization, immediately organize and support such an organization if possible. The work of the B. Y. P. U is educational in essence and in many churches one of the principal feeders of the church. It gives the young people a chance for development not afforded by any other organization of the church, and its influence will be known only when revealed before the Throne.

In this day, when the enticements of evil glitter in splendid attire and the armies of destruction employ every stratagem in behalf of death, it is more than expedient that some influence be brought to bear which will hold the young people in the service of the church, and if this cannot be done, then woe to the cause of Christ in this Association. We know of no more efficient means of advancing the interests of the young people than the B. Y. P. U., therefore we earnestly make this report.

Respectfully submitted,

F. F. BROWN,
E. ALLISON,
Committee.

Report adopted after speeches by C. D. Creasman and S. C. Owen.

Committee on Time and Place of next meeting reported as follows:

Time and Place.

Time—Tuesday after second Sunday in August, 1908.

Place—Jupiter.

Introductory Sermon—A. H. Sims; alternate, W. A. Robertson.

Committee on State of Churches reported as follows:

State of Churches.

Judging from the report of the churches your committee is glad to report that our churches have made some progress during the past year. The pledges have been paid. The work among them seems to be in a healthy condition. The spiritual condition is not perhaps what it ought to be. Some of our churches report ingatherings while others report no conversions. We feel that the great want among our churches is more spiritual life and power to win souls to Christ

We are glad to note that Gash's Creek Church has taken on new life and has about completed one of the best churches in our bounds, at a cost of three thousand five hundred ($3,500) dollars. We are informed that there is indebtedness on the house yet.

South Black Mountain has taken steps to build.

These churches will appreciate and help the brethren may feel to give.

W. T. BRADLEY,
R. D. BUCKNER,
G. W. SALES,
Committee.

Report adopted after speeches by S. C. Owen, W. T. Bradley, Archibald Johnson and A. I. Justice.

The following resolution was offered and pledges taken:

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, that we commend the work of church building at Gash's Creek and Black Mountain to the favorable consideration of our churches and hope they will contribute liberally to the same during this year.

PLEDGES.

J. P. Morgan	$ 5.00
Mrs. Chas. Whitaker	5.00
T J. Ingle	5.00
J. H. Cordell	5.00
W. C. McConnell (for Gash's Creek)	5.00
W. C. McConnell (for Black Mt.)	25.00
E. P. Stradley	10.00
J. O. Wall	1.00
Archibald Johnson	1.00
John Feezor	2.00
F. M. Burnett	10.00
J. T. Justice	5.00
C. D. Creasman	1.00
Antioch Church (J. P. Dillingham)	2.00
Total	$82.00

Committee on Orphanage reported the following which was adopted after a stirring speech by Archibald Johnson:

ORPHANAGE.

Of all the work done by our Baptist brotherhood in North Carolina there is no work so far reaching in its influence for good in the right place at the right time, and to the right individuals as is our Orphanage work at Thomasville, where we are now caring for 350 fatherless children gathered from all over the state to be trained for God and usefulness. We appeal to our people to help in this worthy object, because of all things that deserve our sympathy, it is the poor helpless orphan that God has placed at our doors.

J. M. STONER,
H. B. MILLS,
L. D. BROOKSHIRE,
Committee.

Treasurer made foilowlng report:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amounts paid in during the Association.

Foreign Missions	$ 31.67
Home Missions	42.54
State and Associational Missions	34.16
Orphanage	62.70
Sunday Schools	1.00
Minutes	41.76
Total	$213.83

This is the best report your treasurer has ever been able to make. So far as I am informed every pledge for last year has been paid. Our missionaries have received every cent due them, amounting up till August 1st, to $318.27.

Motion made and carried that clerk superintend printing of minutes and that he be allowed $10 for his work.

Moderator announced the following chairmen of committees.

Foreign Missions—Dr. Wm. Lunsford.
State Missions—A. H. Sims.
Education—W. T. Bradley.
Orphanage—S. C. Owen.
Woman's Work—A. I. Justice.
Temperance—J. H. Tucker.
State of Churches—J. M. Stoner.
Home Missions—A. E. Brown.
B. Y. P. U.—E. P. Stradley.
Sunday Schools—J. H. Woodward.

A. I. Justice offered a resolution of thanks to moderator, J. P. Morgan, and also the following resolution:

Resolved, that the thanks of this Association be hereby tendered to the good people of this community for their hospitality in the entertainment they have given us.

Resolution adopted.

Moderator closed with fitting remarks and Association adjurned by singing "How Firm a Foundation."

Benediction by A. I. Justice.

Below is a complete list of all pledges made for the following year:

	State Sunday School Work	Foreign Missions	State and Ass'l Missions	Home Missions	Orphanage	Total
Antioch	$ 2.50	$ 12.50	$ 20.00	$ 15.00	$ 20.00	$ 70.00
Asheville First Ch	25.00	1500 00	650.00	650 00	250.00	3075.00
Beaverdam	2.00	30.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	77.00
Bethel	1.00	3 00	3.00	5.00	.....	12.00
Bent Creek	2.00	2.50	3 00	5 00	2.00	14 50
Berea	1.50	15 00	16.00	15.00	10.00	57.50
Big Ivy	2 50	10.00	15.00	10 00	10.00	47.50
Biltmore	5.00	20.00	30.00	40.00	25.00	120.00
Black Mountain	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brown's Chapel	2.50	.....	.....	.....	1.00	3.50
Cane Creek	2.50	40.00	50.00	25 00	15.00	132.50
Elk Mt	1.00	1.00	3.00	.....	1.00	6.00
Flat Creek	2.00	5.00	10.00	5 00	6.00	28.00
Gash's Creek	1.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	41.00
Hominy	.....	10.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	30 00
Jupiter	1.00	.....	3.00	.....	1.00	5.00
Liberty	1.00	2.00	5.00	3.00	5.00	16.00
Macedonia	1.00	6.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	25.00
Morgan Hill	1.00	6.00	10.00	5.00	10.00	32.00
Mt. Carmel	1.00	5.00	5 00	5.00	7.00	23.00
Mt. View	2.00	.....	5.00	10.00	5.00	22.00
New Salem	1.00	.....	.....	3.00	.....	4.00
Palestine	*1.00	.....	.....	1.00	.....	2.00
Pleasant Hill	.....	2.00	3.00	4 00	6.00	15.00
Pleasant Grove	1.00	.....	.....	1.00	1.00	3.00
Reem's Creek	1.00	.....	2.00	.....	2.00	5.00
S. Black Mt	1.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	10 00	26.00
Spring Mt	1.00	3.00	3.00	2 00	1.00	10 00
Swannanoa	1.00	5.00	25.00	5.00	2.00	38.00
Vermon Hill	2.50	5.00	10.00	10.00	12.50	40 00
West End	5.00	50.00	75.00	60.00	72 00	262 00
Individual pledges	.....	.....	26 00	.....	.....	.....
Totals	$72.00	$1743.00	$1017.50	$920.00	$494.50	$4242.50

CHURCH STATISTICS

Churches	Clerks	Post Offices	Sabbath Meetings	Baptisms	Received by Letter	Restored	Letters Granted	Excluded	Deaths	Ordained Ministers	Male Members	Female Members	Total M'mb'rships	Value of Church Property
Antioch	S. H. Carter	Democrat	3	7	2	2	2	5	3	2	76	86	162	$ 800
Asheville First Ch.	C. S. Davis	Asheville	Each	81	64	..	53	2	7	2	...	...	..	52.000
Beaverdam	E. P. Stradley	Asheville, R. 1	3	.	3	..	1		1	...	13	24	37	1.400
Bethel	W. L. Lunsford	Asheville, R. 3	4	2	4		2	..	1	2	30	44	74	300
Bent Creek	Mrs. Z. V. Greene	Biltmore, R. 3	2	...	1		...	1		...	16	26	42	200
Berea	J. A. Cordell	Asheville, R. 2	1	...	...		...	1		...	26	47	73	1.800
Big Ivy	J. M. Greenwood	Barnardsville	2	11	6	3	3	2	4	1	74	105	179	3.500
Biltmore	C. N. Justice	Biltmore	3	9	6	1	3	1	1	...	36	70	106	5.000
Black Mt.	Ellis Burlison	Rock View	4	5	1	..	1			...	46	48	94	900
Brown's Chapel	.....	.....	.....	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	.....
Cane Creek	R. A. Morgan	Fairview	2 & 4	27	7	1	4	4	5	1	85	140	225	2.100
Elk Mt.	R. M. Branson	.....	3	...	6		..	..	..	1	..	..	32	.....
Flat Creek	W. B. Spivy	Weaverville	1	7	2	1	8	5	2	...	42	70	112	1.000
Gash's Creek	R. C. Sales	Skyland	3	3	1	..	...	..	1	...	13	25	38	4.000
Hominy	Levi S. Clark	Candler	1	19	1	..	6	1	1	3	60	93	135	2.500
Jupiter	W. R. Tillery	Jupiter	4	5	2	..	...	..	..	1	23	28	51	500
Liberty	L. W. Young	Candler, R. 4	3	1	...		1	2	1	..	29	48	77	1.000
Macedonia	H. G. Rymer	Asheville, R. 4	2	4	4		5	8	2	..	28	68	96	400
Morgan Hill	J. Y. Gentry	Morgan Hill	2	...	5		7	..	2	1	60	78	138	1.200
Mt. Carmel	J. N. Hayes	Asheville, R. 4	3	9	2		3	..	..	1	39	49	88	800
Mt. View	J. L. Burnett	Black Mt	2	...	...	1	...	..	..	...	29	45	74	500
New Salem	M. S. Lance	Skyland	1	...	...		3	..	1	...	25	33	58	400
Palestine	J. M. Kilpatric	Skyland	3	1	...		...	..	..	1	14	12	26	250
Pleasant Hill	J. D. Taylor	Alexander	3	14	7	..	17		2	...	29	54	93	300
Pleasant Grove	Eli Garren	.....	3	...	....	2	2	1	1	...	27	28	55	.....
Reem's Creek	Samuel Morrow	.....	4	...	...	..	...	..	..	...	16	6	22	.....
S. Black Mt.	J. W. Denney	Black Mt	.....	14	13		...	..	..	...	...	..	40	1.100
Spring Mt	Emil Kirstin	.....	.....	..	...	..	...	..	..	...	20	21	41	.....
Swannanoa	S. B. Buchanan	Swannanoa	2	9	2		...	2	1	1	16	29	45	9.000
Vermon Hill	A. D. Davis	Biltmore	1	11	8	1	2	..	..	...	18	35	53	1.000
West End	W. C. Pennell	Asheville	Each	...	...	..	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	6.000
Totals	.....	.....	....	238	147	12	123	35	36	17	890	1310	2166	$97.950

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

Schools	Superintendents	Officers and Teachers	Number of Scholars	Number of Schools	Average Attendance	Volumes in Library	Quarterlies & Papers Taken	Months Kept Open	Baptisms from School	Home Missions	State & Ass'l Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Poor	Incidentals	Sunday Sch. Missions	Other Objects	Sunday Sch. Expenses
Antioch	E. B. Goldsmith	9	80	1	40	45	90	12	5	.....	.....	.....	$ 5.04	.....	.....	$ 2.50	.....	$ 19 00
Asheville First Ch.	J. H. Tucker	42	685	3	443	....	...	12	....	.....	.....	$275.84	247.79	.....	$68.90	315.00	.....	594.93
Beaverdam	W. B. Scarborough	6	68	1	31	...	90	12	....	$ 6.63	$ 4.95	26.00	10.79	.....	.....	2.00	.....	17.71
Bethel	Melvin Gutch	5	58	1	40		....	9	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bent Creek	N. B. Creasman	5	60	1	....	....	36	12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Berea	J. A. Cordell	7	30	1	37	....	65	12	....	2.50	3.00	2.50	6.00	.....	.....	1.00	.....	11.00
Big Ivy	A. I. Ingle.	8	120	1	44	....	124	12	7	.....	.....	.....	10.00	$84 00	.....	.....	$30 00	16.00
Biltmore	J. M. Brookshire	8	116	1	.. .	215	290	12	9	4.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	12 00	62 00
Black Mt	D. W. Shuford	5	43	1	30	3	55	6	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brown's Chapel	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cane Creek	S. J. Ashworth	18	215	2	145	..	205	12	16	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	2.50	.....	25.00
Elk Mt,	.....	....	...	1	....	....	...	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Flat Creek	J. E. Chandler	8	48	1	34	....	70	12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gash's Creek	T. J. Ingle	5	60	1	50	60		12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00
Hominy	E. L. Clark	7	75	1	48	....	115	12	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14.98
Jupiter	E. A. Roberts	7	65	1	45	...	75	12	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00
Liberty	W. W. Green	10	30	1	30	48	280	12	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	67.29
Macedonia	M. E. Sluder	7	84	1	35	....	56	12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.40
Morgan Hill	R. P. Lewellen	5	70	1	50	....	....	12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00
Mt. Carmel	L. D. Brookshire	8	50	1	35	....	70	12	9	.....	.....	.....	22.61	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.33
Mt. View	J. A. Walker	12	65	1	57	....	115	9	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.00
New Salem	.....	4	40	1	30	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Palestine	John Pinner	4	30	1	24	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.00
Pleasant Hill	R. W. Buckner	6	60	1	35	....	65	12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 16	1.15	.....	.....	8.50
Pleasant Grove	James Wilson	4	54	1	31	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.75
Reem's Creek	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
S. Black Mt	L. B. Hudgins	7	124	1	65	....	90	12	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.87
Spring Mt	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Swannanoa	S. B. Buchanan	4	34	1	25	....	5	12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00
Vermon Hill	A. D. Davis	7	84	1	53	....	....	12	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23.25
West End	J. B. Grice	12	383	1	122	...	379	12	....	.....	.....	.....	75.03	.....	.....	.....	.....	62.42
Totals	.....	230	2831	31	1579	371	2275	....	76	$13.13	$7.95	$304.34	$387.26	$87.16	$70.05	$328.00	$42.00	$1014.43

FINANCIAL TABLE

Churches	Pastors	Pastor's Salaries	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Poor	State Ass'l Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday Sch. Missions	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools	Ministerial Education	Other
Antioch	W. T. Bradley	$ 80.00			$ 23.00	$ 16.94	$ 10.55	$ 10 00	$ 2.50	$ 28.60			$ 3
Asheville First Ch.	Wm. Lunsford	2500.00	$ 410.90	$2268 93	90.00	500.00	500.00	1460.20	315.00	634.22	$325.00	$100.00	54
Beaverdam	A. J. Justice	100.00	928.95	10 00		15.00	15.00	30 00	2.00	15 00			1
Bethel	J. H. McCurry	45.00		4 06			7 50			11.15			
Bent Creek	W. H. Hooker	24.00			4.50	2 00		2.00	1 00	2 00			
Berea	A. J. Justice	113.00		15 00		16.00	5.00	20 00	1.00	9 00			
Big Ivy	C. D. Cole	100.00	40 00	6 00	84.00	8.66	8 66	8.68		10.00	30.00		
Biltmore	E. Allison	200 00		124.99	3.00	25.00	14.00	32.10	5.00	23.65			47
Black Mt	James Blankenship	30 00	900 00		7.00		4 00	5.00		2.37			
Brown's Chapel	A. J. Bradley												
Cane Creek	A. J. Justice	200 00	110.00	55 00	10.00	45.53	22 45	43 50	2.50	10.00		7 07	
Elk Mt	M. S. Profit												
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradley	50.00	75			5.00	5 00	5 00		6.00			12
Gash's Creek	E. Allison	100 00	3500 00		5.00					5 00			20
Hominy	M. R. N. Caldwell	105.34		13 58		5.00	5 00	34.08	1 00	13 75			13
Jupiter	T. C. King	50.00	1.80							2.00			
Liberty	S. C. Owen	45.75	100 00	11 90		2 00	2.00	2.00	1.00	7.40			
Macedonia	A. J. Bradley	65 00		6 00	7 02	5.00	5 00	5.00		19.70			
Morgan Hill	W. T. Bradley	57.00			15.00	15.00	5.00	5.00	1 00	20.00	5 00		
Mt. Carmel	A. J. Bradley	75.00		20.17		5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	29.61			
Mt. View	E. Allison	60.00				2.50	4.50	2.00		1.00			
New Salem	F. M. Pressley	40 00											
Palestine	F. M. Pressley	25.00											
Pleasant Grove	J. D. Colley	36.00			4 00								
Pleasant Hill	W. L. Kuykendall	40.00	4 90		3 97	3.00	5.00	3.00	1.00	5 00			
Reem's Creek	A. J. Bradley	30.00											
S. Black Mt	E. Allison	35 00			5.00					8 00			25
Spring Mt	J. O. Wall												
Swannanoa	E. Allison	50.00	80.00					5.50					
Vernon Hill	E. Allison	40 00		33.44		10 00	5 00	10.00		10.00			8
West End	A. H. Sims	800.00		252.17	20.41	50 00	50 00	50 00		75 03			
White Rock	S. C. Owen												
Totals		$5096 09	$5577 30	$2821 24	$281.90	$731 63	$578 66	$1728 06	$334 00	$ 048.48	$360 00	$107 07	$701

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

Section 1.—This body shall be known as "The Buncombe County Baptist Association."

ARTICLE II.—CONSTITUENCY.

Section 1.—This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe County, who shall be recommended by a letter from the Church containing the statistical report herein provided for; Provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Section 2.—Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of the twenty-one.

Section 3.—The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE III.

Section 1.—The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after reading of the church letters and the enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Section 2.—The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mill's Parliamentary Practice.

Section 3.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receice all moneys belonging to this Association, and pay them out on the order of the same.

Section 4.—It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.—OBJECT.

Section 1.—It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension, and Temperance.

ARTICLE V.—COMMITTEES.

Section 1.—At each Annual Meeting, the Moderator shall appoint the following Committees: Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State and Associational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday School, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the Association, and such other Committees as the Association may direct.

Section 2.—It shall be the duties of the Committees to report in writing on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

ARTICLE VI.—EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Section 1.—This Association at each Annual Meeting shall appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of North Carolina Baptist Convention in supplying the destitute within our bounds.

ARTICLE VII.—CHURCH LETTERS.

Section 1.—The Church letters shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of Church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their postoffices; number baptized; recived by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and number of deaths during the year; number and sex of members; time of prayer meetings; amount paid for pastor's salary; incidental expenses, home missions; and foreign missions, education, Sunday School and Bible missions; and if for any other object, to be noted.

Report of Sunday School to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kinds of papers used in the Sunday Schools; name and postoffice of the Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.—BY-LAWS.

Section 1.—This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mill's "Manual of Parliamentary Practice."

ARTICLE IX.—MEETING.

Section 1.—This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.—PRINTING.

Section 1.—Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed a copy of this constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI.—CORRESPONDENCE.

Section 1.—This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII.—FAITH.

Section 1.—This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform, and the only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspirations, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for information of others not acquainted with our tenets, for no other purpose.

Section 2.—As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII.—AMENDMENT.

Section 1.—This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

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ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Allison, E. ..... Brevard, N. C.
Bradley, A. J. ..... Beach, N. C.
Bradley, W. T. ..... Morgan Hill, N. C.
Blankenship, James ..... Paint Gap, N. C.
Briggs, L. P. ..... Candler, N. C.
Brown, A. E. ..... Asheville, N. C.
Caldwell, M. R. N. ..... Canton, N. C.
Colley, J. D. ..... Glen, N. C.
Goforth, M. A. ..... Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Gosnel, G. W. ..... Beaverdam, N. C.
Hooker, W. H. ..... Alexander, N. C.
Kuykendall, W. L. ..... Asheville, N. C.
Lunsford, Wm. ..... Asheville, N. C.
McCurry, J. H. ..... Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Morgan, E. J. ..... Candler, N. C.
Morgan, S. J. ..... Stocksville, N. C.
Owen, S. C. ..... Candler, N. C
Pickens, J. M. ..... Jupiter, N. C.
Pressley, T. M. ..... Biltmore, N. C.
Profit, M. S. ..... Beaverdam, N. C.
Sims, A. H. ..... Asheville, N. C.
Stradley, E. P. ..... Beaverdam, N. C.
Wall, J. O. ..... Spring Mt., N. C.
Briggs, J. W. ..... Fairview, N. C.
O'Niel, G. G. ..... Asheville, N. C.
Miller, Chester ..... Fairview, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

THE twenty-seventh annual session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with the church at Jupiter, beginning August 11, 1908. The Associational sermon was preached by Rev. W. A. Robertson, from Matt. 18:20. At 11:45 a. m. the Moderator, J. P. Morgan called the meeting to order for the transaction of business. The clerk being absent, J. J. Ammons was elected clerk pro tem. On motion, adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

One o'clock, Moderator in the chair. The following committees were appointed:

First. ORDER OF BUSINESS—J. H. Tucker, Rev. W. T. Bradley, W. S. West.

Second. TIME AND PLACE.—J. M. Brookshire, J. H. Holcombe, R. D. Buckner.

J. H. Tucker and J. B. Grice were appointed reading clerks, and the following letters were read and delegates' names enrolled:

Antioch—Rev. M. S. Proffit, Mrs. R. D. Buckner, S. H. Carter, Robt. Clouse, P. M. Lovin, J. H. Woodward, Miss Ella Carter, Rev. M. S. West, T. C. Morgan, Rev. W. T. Bradley.

Asheville, First Church—J. H. Tucker, J. M. Stoner, M. E. Tucker, A. E. Draughan, D. L. Cain, Pearl Holman, M. J. Starnes.

Beaverdam—M. M. Harrison, M. B. Scarborough, E. P. Stradley.

Bent Creek—S. C. Owen, S. B. Lance.

Berea—James Cordell, J. A. Cordell, A. J. Rice, William Stokes.

Biltmore—J. M. Brookshire, Mrs. T. J. Reed, J. W. Bailey.

Big Ivy—Rev. W. A. Robertson, Rev. W. T. Bradley.

Black Mountain—Wesley Burlison.

Cane Creek—Revs. A. I. Justice, J. W. Briggs.

Chestnut Grove—

Elk Mountain—R. N. Branson, T. C. Tweed.

Flat Creek—J. H. Sams, W. S. Roberts, J. D. Taylor, T. W. Blackstocks, M. B. Spivey, James Doane.

Gash's Creek—W. J. Goldsmith, T. J. Brookshire, T. J. Ingle.

Hominy—

Jupiter—Rev. J. M. Pickens, S. M. Buckner, E. A. Roberts, W. R. Tillery.

Liberty—J. H. Holcombe, J. R. Sawyer.

Macedonia—J. G. Rymer, H. B. Miles, J. A. Ledford, James Ratcliff.

Morgan Hill—Rev. S. J. Morgan, J. Y. Gentry, J. N. Morgan, J. P. Morgan, J. J. Ammons.

Mt. Carmel—

Mt. View—
New Salem—
Pleasant Grove—
Palestine—
Pleasant Hill—J. C. Corn.
Reem's Creek—
South Black Mountain—Rev. E. Buchanan, L. B. Hudgins.
Spring Mt.—
Swannanoa—
Vernon Hill (Inanda)—
West End—Rev. G. G. O'Neil, Rev. A. E. Brown, W. H. Martindale, W. E. Logan, J. B. Grice.
Bethel—

The delegates being enrolled, the Association went into the permanent organization. On motion of Rev. W. T. Bradly, the rules were suspended and the Clerk was instructed to cast the vote of the Association for Bro. J. P. Morgan for Moderator. J. J. Ammons was elected Clerk; J. M. Stoner, Treasurer; Rev. W. T. Bradley, Historian.

The Committee on Order of Business made the following report:

Tuesday—12:00 m., Organization.
1:00 p. m., Dinner.
2:00 p. m., Recognition of visitors, and Temperance.
3:30 p. m., Periodicals.
4:00 p. m., Home Missions.

Wednesday— 9:00 a. m., Devotional exercises.
9:20 a. m., Sunday Schools.
10:00 a. m., State Missions.
11:15 a. m., Orphanage.
12:30 p. m., Dinner.
1:30 p. m., Woman's work.
2:00 p. m., Foreign Missions.
3:30 p. m., State of the churches.
4:00 p. m., Education.

Thursday— 9:00 a. m., Devotional exercises.
9:30 a. m., B. Y. P. U.
10:00 a. m., Historian's Report.
10:30 a. m., Appointment of Boards and Committees.
11:00 a. m., Miscellaneous business.

The Moderator extended to all visitors a cordial welcome. The following brethren reported and were invited to seats in the body: Rev. M. L. Kesler, representing the Orphanage at Thomasville; Prof. E. L. Middleton, secretary Sunday School Board; Rev. M. A. Wood, Mars Hill College; Rev. E. Allison, Brevard; Bro. Howard, representing the Biblical Recorder; Rev. W. T. McFalls, from the Newfound Association; Rev. John Ammons, Rev. Phillips.

The chair announced the following committees:

Nomination of Boards—J. M. Brookshire, J. H. Holcombe, T. C. Morgan.

Foreign Missions—Dr. Lunsford, Rev. W. A. Robertson, Rev. J. W. Briggs.

Periodicals—J. W. Briggs.

State Missions—Rev. A. H. Sims, W. S. Roberts, T. C. Morgan.

Education—Rev. W. W. Marr, Rev. J. M. Pickens, Robt. Branson, Rev. M. A. Wood.

Orphanage—Rev. S. C. Owen, Bradley Spivey, Rev. J. A. Bradley.

Woman's Work—Rev. A. I. Justice, L. J. Ammons, J. N. Morgan.

Temperance—J. H. Tucker, H. B. Miles, Charley Herrin.

State of Churches—J. M. Stoner, Rev. H. Hooker, G. D. Rymer.

Home Missions—Rev. A. E. Brown, J. H. Holcombe, J. M. Brookshire.

B. Y. P. U.—E. P. Stradley, Rev. E. Allison.

Sunday Schools—J. H. Woodward, W. S. West, Prof. E. L. Middleton.

TEMPERANCE.

The report was called for and read by J. H. Tucker. Motion to adopt. The report was discussed by J. H. Tucker, Rev. W. T. Bradley, J. N. Morgan, Rev. John Ammons.

Report adopted.

The report on Periodicals was next submitted and discussed by Bro. Howard, Rev. J. W. Briggs and Prof. E. L. Middleton.

Report adopted.

The report on Home Missions not being ready, the subject of education was discussed at some length by Revs. M. A. Wood, John Ammons and J. H. Tucker. Time being exhausted for the consideration of this topic, on motion, time was extended five minutes in order that Rev. G. G. O'Niel might further discuss it.

Adjourned.

8 O'clock, p. m.—Rev. M. L. Kesler preached to a large audience, from Acts 10:35.

WEDNESDAY.

9 a. m.—Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Devotional exercises by Rev. E. Allison.

9:20—Rev. W. T. Bradley in the chair. The body called to order for the transaction of business.

The reading of the minutes was omitted and the Association proceeded to the business of the day. Prof. Middleton read and discussed the report on Sunday schools. Pledges were then secured to the amount of $76.50.

The report on State Missions was read, the usual motion to adopt. Rev. J. W. Briggs and Prof. Middleton discussed it. Pledges being secured, the report was adopted.

The Orphanage report was next considered. Rev. M. L. Kesler read and discussed it. After pledges had been asked for and secured, the report was adopted.

12:45 p. m.—The Association took a recess of one hour.

1:45 p. m.—The body reconvened. Song, "How Firm a Foundation."

The Moderator then declared the body ready for the transaction of business.

On motion, T. J. Rickman, of Asheville, was appointed superintendent of Sunday schools of Buncombe county, to aid Prof. Middleton in his work as State secretary.

At this time Rev. Alfred Hunter, of the Holston Conference, was introduced and welcomed by the Moderator to a seat. Bro. Brittin was also recognized and welcomed to a seat in the Association.

The report on Woman's Work was calld for and presented by Rev. A. I. Justice; the usual motion to adopt. The report was then discussed by Bro. Justice, after which it was adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was next read and after motion to adopt, the subject was discussed by Rev. Brittin and Miss Cain, both foreign missionaries. Pledges were then secured, after which the report was adopted.

The report on the state of the churches was called for and read by J. M. Stoner and discussed by him and Rev. H. Hooker. The report was then adopted.

On motion of J. H. Tucker, Rev. W. T. Bradley was appointed Corresponding Secretary of the Buncombe County Association, and whatever expense he may incur as secretary shall be borne by the County Board of Missions.

4:30 p. m.—Adjourned.

Rev. A. I. Justice preached to a large audience Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

Thursday, August 13.

9:00 a. m.—Devotional exercises, led by Rev. J. A. Bradley.

9:20 a. m.—The Moderator declared the body ready for business.

Report of B. Y. P. U. was read by Bro. E. P. Stradley, and also discussed by him. The report was then adopted.

The Historian's report was called for and read. Motion to adopt. The report was discussed by the following brethren: W. T. Bradley, A. I. Justice, A. E. Brown, T. J. Ingle, E. P. Stradley, J. N. Morgan. Report adopted.

Rev. A. E. Brown made the following motion: That the ministers and deacons form a council to meet on each fifth Sunday at some convenient church for prayer, counsel and to cultivate a closer fellowship. The Corresponding Secretary is hereby instructed to notify each preacher in the Association at least three weeks before each meeting. That first meeting be held with Beaverdam church.

Adopted.

The report on Education was read and adopted.

It was moved and seconded that the preachers in the bounds of

Mars Hill College lay before their churches the debt hanging over that institution, and that they make some effort to help raise the amount.

The Treasurer read his report, which was adopted.

Rev. A. E. Brown made a motion that the Clerk apportion the amount of minute funds to be raised by each church for 1909.

Moved that the Clerk receive $10.00 for his services.

It was moved that Home Missions be considered by the Association.

Rev. A. E. Brown offered some extracts from a leaflet on the Home Mission work as the report. After it had been spoken to by Bro. Brown, it was adopted.

Temperance Report.

We are commanded to be temperate in all things—in thought, in speech, in action. The gospel is one of peace, love, good will, temperance. One of the fruits of the spirit is temperance, which Paul puts in opposition to drunkenness, a fruit of the flesh.

All kinds of intemperance are forbidden by scripture, but the crime of the age is drunkenness, superinduced in a large measure by the American license system. This crime exists only by virtue of the ballot of the professing Christian. When the Christian conscience is awakened, there will be no liquor license by law. Law is the expressed will of the people enacted into statutes for their protection, and should be the highest expression of the enlightened public conscience; therefore we should vote only for good men to make our laws. No person has the inherent right to sell liquor, so if done, it must be done under the police power of the State. The State has no right to license a wrong. This is in contravention of the welfare clause of the constitution, and therefore null and void, so that we believe, hope and trust the highest court of the land will eventually declare the license system unconstitutional. If the sale of liquor is inherently wrong, it must be an awful sin for a professing Christian to vote for a candidate for office who, for pelf and power, would enact or favor a law to license it. It makes drunkards, widows, orphans. It creates crime, poverty, suffering, sorrow and death. God forbid that another licensed saloon shall ever exist or be tolerated in our good county or State, and may He hasten the day when they shall be closed in all the land.

Our Association took the first public stand in pledging each other against the saloon and its advocates. The Southern Baptist Convention has since followed. May we not modestly claim some credit for the great temperance wave that swept the State for prohibition on the 26th of May, resulting in a majority of over 43,000—that gave our county the banner majority of 3,670? Yea, verily!

But are we at ease, having doffed our armor? "Woe unto them that are at ease in Zion, that trust to the mountains of Samaria." "What I say unto you, I say unto all, 'Watch.'"

The benefits of prohibition are now acknowledged. There is a great and wholesome change in the condition of the public morals in our county and city. Crime is decreasing, drunkards are reclaimed and joy and gladness have supplanted sorrow and sufiering, penury and want in many homes.

Thank God for prohibition! Let us uphold our victory by our

votes, voting only for temperance men and *make them say so before we vote for them.*

J. H. TUCKER,
H. B. MILES,
CHARLES HERRING,
Committee.

STATE MISSIONS.

The work of State Missions began with the organization of the Baptist State Convention in 1830. The support of the gospel in all of the destitute sections of the State is one of the primary objects of the Convention. Indeed there is no other department of our work so closely identified with the State and all of its interests as is State Missions, and it is in this work that we have an opportunity offered, as in no other way, of directing the religious future of the State, and of saving it from perils that so certainly beset us. To say what would have been our loss today, had we no State Mission Board appointed and no organized State Mission work been done, would be impossible.

It is estimated that at least *half of our churches in the State* owe their existence, so far as human agency goes, to the efforts of our Board, and two-thirds of the money that flows into the treasury for carrying on the Lord's work at home and abroad comes from those churches which have been thus aided and established. The figures show that mission churches and mission associations are the most liberal supporters of all departments of our work.

Between three and four hundred points have been supplied by the 161 missionaries of the Board during the year, and over thirty houses of worship in course of construction. In the more important work of soul-winning the success of the missionaries is gratifying, one of them having baptized more people during the conventional year than any other preacher in the State; and showers of spiritual blessing have fallen upon most of the mission fields. The labors of the Board's two evangelists have been greatly blessed of the Lord. They have visited many points, holding successful meetings and strengthening the hands of the faithful missionaries and pastors.

The Board is only now well on the field to do larger work than ever before; and the demand for enlargement is increasing every day and becoming more and more urgent.

Next to the extreme west, our greatest destitution is *Eastern North Carolina.* Hyde county is said to be our China in State Mission work; as rich as Egypt and almost as dark so far as Baptist principles are concerned; with only one Baptist church of twenty-five members.

The Piedmont section is our great manufacturing territory. At Greensboro, Salisbury, Statesville, Charlotte, Mooresville, High Point, Asheboro, and a score of other places in Piedmont North Carolina, the Board is doing its best to keep up with the rapid material development. Twelve years ago there was one Baptist church in Greensboro, now there are seven churches there with six resident pastors, all of whom, except the pastor of the First church, are largely supported by the Board. New towns are springing up as if by magic, and one of the first houses to be erected should be the Mission church, and the first voice to be heard should be that of the Missionary of the Cross.

Western North Carolina, with its marvelous possibilities, has great

material resources undeveloped. The country is full of Baptists, but they, too, are undeveloped. The Baptist schools are doing much for this section, and many of the churches are catching a broader vision. Along with these schools State high schools are being established, which do not promise to develop our material along denominational lines. It behooves us to strengthen the hands of the faithful pastors on these fields.

In view of the many evidences of the infinite importance of State Missions we are fully persuaded that upon it should be devoted our best energies and most liberal giving. The State Mission Board was authorized to operate during the year on a basis of $45,000. We recommend that we enlarge our contributions to State Missions, and that we ask the Board to appropriate $1,200 for work in this Association, with a view to the development of our churches, provided pastors can be obtained to do the work.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. BRIGGS.

Periodicals.

Resolved, That this Association approve most heartily of the Biblical Recorder, the organ of our denomination, and that we urge upon the churches the necessity of having this paper in the homes of every family.

We also recommend to our people Charity and Children, our Orphanage paper, Foreign Mission Journal, and Home Field.

J. W. BRIGGS,
Committee.

Report on Sunday Schools.

From the reading of the church letters we find that all our churches have Sunday schools and we rejoice in this. We believe there is no department of church work that counts so much in developing our membership in Christian activity and in saving our boys and girls as the Sunday school. Believing this, as an Association, we agree:

1. To strive to have a live, active perennial Sunday school in every church.

2. To hold at least one Sunday school convention, and as many rallies and conferences as expedient during next year.

3. To use our own literature published by the Sunday School Board at Nashville, and give this work our loyal support.

4. To help support financially and with our prayers our State Sunday school work that all needed schools may be organized, our teachers made more efficient, and our church membership brought into the Sunday school.

We recommend that we try to meet the needs of all classes. To this end we urge all our schools, where possible, to organize the work of adult classes, that a home department be organized for those who cannot attend, and that cradle rolls be formed to secure for our churches our children from their infancy. We urge also the formation of normal classes among our teachers that they may be better prepared for their work.

J. H. WOODARD,
W. S. WEST,
E. L. MIDDLETON,
Committee.

Education.

We are glad to note the rapidly increasing interest our people are taking in education.

The indications are that we shall soon stand in the front rank with our sister States in this great work.

It is gratifying to note that while the State is moving forward in the cause of public education, our denominational schools are not falling behind in interest or efficiency. Our high schools are becoming better equipped and better attended.

We believe they are so well enthroned in the hearts of our people that they cannot be swept away by the State schools. The Baptists of North Carolina are indebted to their schools for great power and influence they hold as a denomination. Let us give them better equipments and larger endowments.

Wake Forest is at the head of our work, and is worthy of our support.

Mars Hill College in our own territory, takes the lead in preparatory work, and we should not forget this struggling institution, but support it with our prayers and means.

W. W. MARR,
W. T. BRADLEY,
ROBT. BRANSON,
J. M. PICKENS,
Committee.

B. Y. P. U.

Your committee desire to recommend that every church organize its young people for such scripture research and practical Christian work as laid out by leaders of the young people's movement.

E. P. STRADLEY,
Chmn. Committee.

Orphanage.

Our Orphanage at Thomasville is twenty-three years old and has room for 375 children. We have a farm of 450 acres; ten dormitories in which the children live. A central school building, a central dining room, a shoe shop, wood shop, printing office and steam laundry.

We have two barns and other out houses, a herd of 20 cattle, four mules and four horses. Two men have charge of the farm, dairy and vegetable raising.

We also have a splendid system of water works and sewerage.

During the past year the Noah Richarson Library has been completed, and the Woman's Building (the new Infirmary), is nearing completion. When this building is finished and equipped, it will be perhaps the best building of its kind in the South.

This institution is set for the training of bright boys and girls who have been deprived of their natural protectors, and guardians of their present and eternal welfare.

We learn that our Association has more children in the Orphanage than any other Association in the State. Therefore we recommend that we increase our contributions to this object.

In order that this may be done we agree to take at once a collection in all our Sunday schools and also urge that a club of Charity and Children be taken in every Sunday school.

We further recommend that Thanksgiving be set apart as Orphan-

age Day and a collection be taken in every church on that day or the nearest Sunday to it for this object.

M. L. KESLER,
J. C. PENNEL,
R. D. BUCKNER,
Committee.

Foreign Missions.

We do gratefully acknowledge the manifold blessings and mercies of God upon our work in foreign fields. Most especially do we praise Him for the 2,174 who have been gathered during the year by our 222 missionaries by confession of faith in Christ and by baptism. Such results as these in the midst of heathen idolatry and superstition ought to make all our hearts glad and beget within us a desire and purpose to do far more than ever for winning lost souls.

Notwithstanding the financial pressure that has been upon our people, we have given $402,328.16 to aid the work. While this does not approach the amount we laid to raise for this object at the late Southern Baptist Convention, it was sufficient to pay all indebtedness. But just here comes a very serious question: Shall we go backward or forward? Shall we retrench or shall we more strongly entrench our forces?

We have special calls, loud and clear, to go forward. The glorious successes of our missionaries demand an advance.

Then let us go forward.

J. W. BRIGGS.

Treasurer's Report.

One very healthy sign your Treasurer wishes to mention is this, that the churches regard a pledge as a debt due to the Lord, and about every pledge made at last Association has been paid.

We have collected during this session the following amounts:

For Foreign Missions	$ 69.50
For State and Associational Missions	52.70
For Home Missions	52.16
For Orphanage	44.97
For Sunday Schools and Bibles	8.68
For printing Minutes	32.42
Total	$260.43

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. STONER, Treasurer.

State of the Churches.

We find the state of the churches very much as at our last Association. Some progress has been made in a few of our churches. South Black Mountain has spent about $900 on a new church, and intends to finish it. Jupiter has completed a splendid house.

As to the spiritual condition of our people, we need to be greatly alarmed, if we are to judge by our works. We are playing at the Lord's work. The returns show no growth in most of our churches, and furnish nothing to encourage us. There has been no growth in our churches (with few exceptions)) in the last ten years, and in some instances churches have declined materially, not enough life left to even send a delegate to the Association.

We recommend that our pastors urge their people to more earnest prayer for a great spiritual awakening, that we may rise up to our privileges and do more for the Lord's cause.

J. M. STONER,
H. HOOKER,
Committee.

Woman's Work.

The Woman's Missionary Union, an auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, was organized in the city of Richmond in 1888. The object of the Union was,

First, To distribute missionary information and stimulate effort through the State central committees.

Second, To secure the earnest co-operation of the women and children in collecting and raising money for missions.

In 1888 the gifts to Foreign Missions were $14,316; to Home Missions, $6,723.10. The contributions to Missions for 1907 and 1908, were: Foreign Missions, $87,515.15; Home Missions, $56,190.70; total, $143,705.85. These amounts represent $1,000 more for Foreign Missions and $8,000 more for Home Missions than the whole Southern Baptist Convention gave in 1888.

The sum given by the Union since its organization is $1,261,710.27. The Union owns and controls two pieces of property, the Margaret Home for Missionaries' Children located at Greenville, S. C., and the Woman's Missionary Training School at Louisville, Ky.

The Margaret Home is a gift of Mrs. Frank Chambers, of New York, in honor of her mother, Margaret Waller, of Alabama, and consists of six acres of land, well wooded, fenced and improved with a beautiful home.

This property cost $10,000, and the donor contributed $500 for electric lights. The home was furnished and equipped by the Unions of the different States. The property is now worth $15,000.

The Union contributes $1,200 annually to the support of the Home.

The Missionary Training School located at Louisville, Ky., was presented to the Union by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Convention. This was purchased for $20,500, and about $6,000 has been expended on improvements, etc. The Union contributes $3,000 annually to the support of the School.

The Foreign Mission Board asks that the Union raise enough to pay the expenses of all the missionaries in foreign lands, and support the school under its charge. The amount necessary for this work will be at least $115,000.

The Home Board requests that the Union raise $85,000 for Home Missions, one-fourth to be set aside for a permanent Building and Loan Fund. This has been apportioned among the different States. North Carolina's share is Home Missions, $7,000; Foreign Missions, $12,642; for the Training School, $250; for support of the Margaret Home, $100.

The Young Woman's Auxiliary is asked to raise $250 for the Training School, and the Sunbeams $100 for the Home.

North Carolina gave in 1888, $1,238.67 for Foreign Missions, and $291.26 for Home Missions. In 1908, she gave for Foreign Missions $9,744.70, and for Home Missions, $3,086.84.

The Union urges that special efforts be made to enlist more women

in the work. Therefore the month of October has been set apart as enlistment month. The Auxiliary Union of this Association is anxious to have each woman in all the churches to give at least 25 cents to Foreign Missions, and 15 cents to Home Missions this year.

A. I. JUSTICE,
J. N. MORGAN,
L. J. AMMONS,
Committee.

Historian's Report.

The Association was held last year with Gash's Creek church. Dr. John E. White preached us a splendid introductory sermon. The meeting was lively and spiritual all the way through. We thought when we left the Association and returned to our fields of labor that we would do the best year's work of our liyes, but the reports from the churches do not show as much done as we were hoping to do. While several of our churches report revivals and baptisms, others report no ingatherings. I am sorry to report the spiritual condition of our churches very low. The field is white and much is being lost by delay.

We would recommend that our churches organize prayer meetings and pray for a revival in all our churches. If all our churches will do this, the year 1909 will show the greatest work done since the organization of the Association.

The financial condition of our churches is very unsatisfactory. Our pastors are poorly paid for their services, and the contributions to other objects much smaller than they should be.

There were twenty-seven churches reported to the Association this year, and only 285 baptisms from all; one hundred and seventy (170) of these were in the Asheville First church. We have lost by death thirty-eight.

The changes in our Association are as follows:

Brother A. I. Justice has given up his work in this county and moved to Henderson and taken work. Brother J. W. Briggs has moved into our county and accepted work at Fairview. Bro. Allison has resigned the work at Biltmore and Inanda, and has charge of the church at Berea. His time is most all filled up in the Swannanoa section. Bro. Chester Miller, who was recently ordained at Fairview, is pastor at Mt. Carmel. Bro. W. T. McFalls is pastor at Macedonia. Bro. C. E. Jervis has been called to Hominy. Bro. W. W. Marr has charge of the churches at Jupiter and Flat Creek. Bro. S. C. Owen is preaching for Avery's Creek, Bent Creek and Liberty churches. Rev. W. T. Bradley is pastor at Big Ivy, Bro. C. D. Cole having given up the work and moved away.

Bro. J. A. Bradley, who is a member of French Broad Association, but who has been living within our bounds for some time and had some work in this county, recently lost his wife, but her death was a very triumphant one. Bro. A. H. Sims resigned the church at West End on account of failing health, and the church has called Bro. G. G. O'Neil to the pastorate.

South Black Mountain spent about $900 on a new house and will finish it in the near future. Jupiter, where the Association is being held, has about completed a splendid house for the Lord.

It should be a source of pride to the Baptists of Buncombe county to know that there is being established a town near the Swannanoa

Gap called Blue Mont, as an assembly ground for Baptists all over the country, and especially for those of the South. This work is being fostered by the Southern Baptists.

We should not only be glad of this special recognition, but should strive to make our county a great power for God.

Home Missions.

By the Lord's help the Home Mission Board brings to the Convention in its sixty-third annual report a message of joyful tidings.

At Richmond we reported 18,998 baptisms; for year just closed we bring news of 22,404 baptisms, and 18,015 addition to the church, a total of 40,419.

It is expected that every missionary of the Board will give full support to all the interests fostered by the Convention. The contributions to the different objects show that our missionaries are not remiss in this respect. Our receipts from the States were $248,138.17; from other sources, $17,197.42; total for the year, $265,335.59, an increase of $33,501.56 over the previous year. The amount asked for next year is $325,000. North Carolina's share is $25,000. We must either raise this amount or we will prove recreant to this great trust.

The Home Mission field is broad, including not only our Southland, but Cuba, Jamaica, Panama, etc. Panama affords a most favorable opportunity to us to spread the gospel. It is stated that there are more than fifty languages spoken in the Canal Zone; if so, by Christianizing these we can reach thousands. We are already there, but need more workers. This is an opportunity we should not neglect.

The Board is pushing the work among the negroes of the South. Pursuant to instructions from the Convention, the chief work has been in co-operation with the National Baptist Convention, the Home Board of that Convention paying one-half of all the salaries of the missionaries.

The following table shows the number of workers and some of the results of the year's work:

	Number of Missionaries	Weeks of Labor	Baptisms Reported	Total Additions	Bible Conferences Held	Preachers and Others in Attendance
Alabama	4	192	352	549	63	8,439
Arkansas	4	185	231	395	29	1,350
Florida	1	49	20	135	14	1,080
Kentucky	5	197	297	398	39	6,763
Louisiana	4	161	232	414	59	3,735
Mississippi	4	147	254	479	21	937
Oklahoma	3	145	284	1,003	37	4,104
South Carolina	2	76	98	141	1	107
Tennessee	3	153	229	269	37	1,791
Texas	3	153	273	532	74	1,581
Totals	33	1,438	2,270	4,315	374	29,887

In addition to the above work under the New Era plan has been continued in Virginia, where three workers have been employed, and in Missouri by the appointment of one. These four missionaries report 695 baptisms, 83 by letter; total additions to church, 778. They held 54 Bible conferences with an attendance of 15,529 preachers and others.

The Southeastern States are becoming more and more missionary ground. The marvelous development of the South and the turning of the tide of immigration southward are creating conditions of religious need which renders it imperative that Southern Baptists should put forth the most active energies in their missionary plans, and work in the older States.

It is not possible to mention all the fields which the Board has to help.

There is the work in the West, and in the cities, where are massing elements foreign to this country. The foreign-born population exceeds the native in thirty-three of our largest American cities, and each decade adds to the number and increases the proportion. National menace and missionary opportunity were never more combined. Comparing the two great sections of our country, the North and the South, it is at once plain that the menace of the city and foreign problem is large in the North, and the missionary opportunity greater in the South. In every city and town of the South we ought to speedily intrench ourselves. This is possible now; it will not be possible in a few years. If this is to be done in St. Louis, Baltimore, New Orleans and a dozen other of our large Southern cities, there is not a moment to be lost, and present effort should be reinforced tenfold.

Report of Committee on Time and Place.

We, your Committee on Time and Place, beg leave to submit the following report:

We select as the next place of meeting, South Black Mountain. Time, Tuesday after the second Sunday in August, 1909. Rev. G. G. O'Neil to preach the introductory sermon at eleven o'clock, a. m.

J. M. BROOKSHIRE,
J. H. HOLCOMBE,
R. D. BUCKNER,
Committee.

The following resolution was unanimously voted by the delegates:

Be it Resolved, By the delegates of this Association, that we tender to the good people of Jupiter our sincerest thanks for the generous manner in which they have card for and entertained this body; and most especially do we thank the good ladies for their kind consideration of our wants.

On motion, adjourned to time and place.

Benediction by Rev. W. A. Robertson.

The following were appointed an Executive Board of the Association: J. M. Stoner, J. N. Morgan, J. H. Tucker, Terrell J. Justice, Levi S. Clark, J. P. Morgan, J. J. Ammons.

The Moderator announced the following names as chairmen of committees for 1909:

Foreign Missions.....Rev. G. G. O'Niel
State Missions.....Rev. J. W. Briggs
Education.....Rev. A. E. Brown
Orphanage.....J. B. Grice
Woman's Work.....Rev. E. P. Stradley
Temperance.....J. M. Stoner
State of the Churches.....Rev. W. T. Bradley
Home Missions.....J. H. Tucker
B. Y. P. U......S. O. Ingram
Sunday Schools.....T. C. Morgan

PLEDGES BY CHURCHES

	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Sunday School Missions	Totals
Antioch	$ 25.00	$ 20.00	$ 25.00	$ 20.00	$ 2.50	$ 92.50
Asheville, First Ch.	600.00	650.00	1,500.00	500.00	25.00	3,275.00
Avery's Creek	2.50	2.50	2.50	5.00	.....	12.50
Beaverdam	20.00	20.00	30.00	15.00	3.00	88.00
Bent Creek	2.00	2.50	3.00	2.50	.....	10.00
Berea	16.00	16.00	20.00	12.00	2.00	66.00
Bethel	3.30	5.00	.....	.....	1.00	9.30
Big Ivy	15.00	15.00	25.00	10.00	2.50	67.50
Biltmore	40.00	22.00	25.00	25.00	5.00	117.00
Brown's Chapel	.....	1.00	.....	1.50	.....	2.50
Black Mountain	.....	1.50	2.50	5.00	1.00	10.00
Cane Creek	55.00	26.00	45.00	15.00	2.50	143.50
Elk Mountain	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	9.00
Flat Creek	12.00	7.00	7.50	6.00	3.00	35.50
Gash's Creek	10.00	6.00	6.00	5.00	2.00	29.00
Hominy	5.00	7.00	40.00	10.00	2.00	64.00
Jupiter	5.00	5.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	17.00
Liberty	5.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	16.00
Macedonia	3.00	6.00	3.00	8.50	1.00	21.50
Morgan Hill	11.00	6.00	10.00	10.00	2.00	39.00
Mt. Carmel	5.00	5.00	1.50	5.00	2.00	18.50
Mt. View	7.50	10.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	31.50
New Salem	.....	3.00	2.00	.....	.....	5.00
Palestine	1.00	1.00	2.50	.....	1.00	5.50
Pleasant Grove	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.50	1.00	5.50
Pleasant Hill	3.00	5.00	2.00	8.00	1.00	19.00
Reems Creek	1.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	7.00
S. Black Mountain	5.00	6.00	5.00	12.00	2.00	30.00
Spring Mountain	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.50	1.00	8.50
Swannanoa	5.00	5.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	18.00
West End	80.00	75.00	55.00	75.00	5.00	210.00
White Rock	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00
Vernon Hill	1.00	10.00	5.00	12.50	1.00	29.50
Chestnut Grove	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00
Totals	$976.80	$959.00	$1,839.00	$781.00	$76.50	$5,527.80

PERSONAL PLEDGES

	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday School Missions
J. H. Cordell	$	$	$1.00
E. Allison	5.00	.....	.....
E. P. Stradley	5.00	.....	.....
J. W. Briggs	5.00	.....	.....
J. W. Burleson	2.00	.....	.....
W. T. Bradley	5.00	.....	.....
J. M. Brookshire	5.00	.....	.....
J. N. Morgan	5.00	.....	.....
W. S. West	5.00	.....	.....
S. J. Morgan	5.00	.....	.....
J. M. Stoner	5.00	.....	.....
R. D. Buckner	5.00	.....	.....
T. J. Ingle	5.00	.....	.....
E. Buchanan	2.50	.....	.....
J. J. Ammons	2.50	.....	.....
J. H. Sams	2.50	.....	.....
W. S. Roberts	2.50	.....	.....
James Cordell	2.50	.....	.....
G. D. Taylor	2.50	.....	.....
W. W. Marr	2.50	.....	.....
W. J. Goldsmith	1.00	.....	.....
John Cordell	1.00	.....	.....
B. W. Spivey	1.00	.....	.....
J. R. Sawyer Paid	1.00	.....	.....
M. S. Proffitt Paid	.50	.....	.....
W. A. Robertson Paid	1.00	.....	.....
J. A. Bradley Paid	1.00	.....	.....
J. B. Roberts Paid	.50	.....	.....
L. A. McHone	1.00	.....	.....
J. H. Tucker	1.00	.....	.....
D. C. Bradley	5.00	.....	.....
Miss Media Bradley	5.00	.....	.....
Miss Bessie Stevenson Paid	1.00	.....	.....
O. E. Roberts Paid	.50	.....	.....
W. H. Martindale	1.00	.....	.....
J. C. Corn	1.00	.....	.....
Miss Mamie Briggs Paid	1.00	.....	.....
Robt. Branson	.....	1.00	.....
T. H. McLean	.....	5.00	.....
Mrs. W. R. Tillery	.....	2.00	.....
Mrs. R. D. Buckner	.....	2.00	.....
Miss Cain's Sunday School Class	.....	15.00	.....
B. Y. P. U. of Asheville	.....	50.00	.....
Miss Ella Carter	.....	2.00	.....
W. H. Hooker	.....	1.00	.....
J. H. Cordell	.....	1.00	.....
J. C. Corn	.....	.50	.....
Totals	$98.00	$79.50	$1.00

Churches	Clerks	Post Offices	Sabbath Meetings	Baptisms	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Letters Granted	Excluded	Deaths	Ordained Ministers	Male Members	Female Members	Total Membership	Value of Church Property	Seating Capacity
Antioch	W. S. West	Democrat	3	5	4	..	3	1	1	2	69	85	154	$ 800	400
Asheville First Ch.	C. S. Davis	Asheville	Every	170	100	3	34	1	..	..	...	...	.....	55,000	1,200
Avery's Creek	Jesse Ingram	Arden	4	1	3	..	4	..	..	..	17	29	46	400	400
Beaverdam	E. P. Stradley	Asheville	.....	...	2	..	1	..	1	..	14	24	38	1,400	200
Bent Creek	Mrs. Z. V. Green.	Biltmore	4	...	...	..	...	1	..	..	15	26	41	.....	.....
Bethel	W. L. Lunsford	Asheville	4	3	5	1	3	1	..	2	27	47	74	400	200
Berea	J. A. Cordell	.....	4	7	1	1	1	..	..	..	32	50	82	1,800	400
Big Ivy	J. M. Greenwood.	Barnardsville	2	6	6	1	5	8	2	2	61	100	161	.....	1,000
Biltmore	C. N. Justice	Biltmore	.....	8	2	..	6	..	..	2	33	73	106	5,000	500
Black Mountain	Ellis Burlison	Rockview	4	5	5	..	1	4	1	..	43	46	89	700	200
Cane Creek	R. A. Morgan	Fairview	2-4	10	5	2	13	4	6	3	78	128	206	2,100	.....
Chestnut Grove	.....	.....	4	...	...	...	...	...	11	..	30	49	79	.....	.....
Elk Mountain	R. M. Branson	Asheville	4	10	4	*3	3	1	..	1	18	26	44	.....	.....
Flat Creek	W. B. Spivey	Jupiter	1	...	4	1	4	2	1	..	43	65	108	1,000	.....
Gash's Creek	R. C. Sales	Skyland	4	2	5	1	1	..	4	..	18	39	57	4,000	300
Hominy	Levi S. Clark	Candler	4	...	...	..	4	1	1	2	57	90	147	.....	.....
Jupiter	W. R. Tillery	Jupiter	4	6	10	..	...	..	2	1	30	37	67	.....	.....
Liberty	L. W. Young	Candler	3	...	2	..	3	..	1	..	29	47	76	1,000	250
Macedonia	Hugh Rymer	Asheville	2	1	2	..	7	1	..	..	34	63	97	600	300
Morgan Hill	J. Y. Gentry	Democrat	1	9	6	..	7	1	1	2	52	81	133	1,200	400
Mt. Carmel	A. E. Sluder	Asheville	1	...	2	1	1	..	3	..	39	47	86	800	.....
Mt. View	J. L. Burnett	Black Mt.	2	15	...	3	...	..	1	..	35	46	81	800	500
Pleasant Grove	Eli Garren	.....	.....	3	7	3	7	1	..	1	24	34	58	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill	W. T. Willis	Asheville	1-3	10	9	..	4	..	2	1	48	58	106	225	200
S. Black Mountain	J. H. Denny	Black Mt.	3	...	...	...	...	...	2	..	16	25	41	2,300	300
Spring Mountain	S. W. Guffey	Fairview	1	11	5	2	7	..	..	1	22	29	51	.....	.....
West End	W. C. Pennell	Asheville	.....	...	12	1	18	..	4	3	81	193	274	10,000	500

*Relation.

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	For the Poor	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday School Missions	Music	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools
Antioch	W. T. Bradley	$ 60.00	$	$ 4.00	$ 140.00	$ 20.00	$	$ 15.00	$ 9.85	$ 2.50	$	$ 20.00	$
Avery's Creek	S. C. Owen	50.00						2.00	2.00				
Bent Creek													
Beaverdam		100.00		16.30			20.15	10.88					
Berea	E. Allison	100.00		4.00	5.00		10.00	5.00					
Bethel	J. H. McCurry	40.00										5.00	
Big Ivy	W. T. Bradley	65.00	50.00	44.25	64.00	14.20		10.00	10.00			10.00	
Black Mountain	Jas Blankenship	30.00	40.00		5.00								
Brown's Chapel													
Biltmore	E. Allison	200.00		109.00	2.00					4.18			
Cane Creek	J. W. Briggs	200.00	20.00	55.00		39.77		6.73	12.50	2.50			10.0
Elk Mountain	M. S. Proffitt	58.36				3.00			1.00	1.00		1.00	
Flat Creek	W. W. Marr	36.00			6.00		10.00		5.00			6.00	
Gash's Creek	E. Allison	100.00			14.35		10.35	5.00	5.00			5.17	
Hominy	C. E. Jervis	35.80		4.20			10.00	5.00	40.00			45.00	
Jupiter	W. W. Marr	50.00	186.52	16.60	25.00		3.00			1.00		1.00	
Liberty	S. C. Owen	40.00		2.40			5.00	3.00	2.00	1.00		19.00	
Macedonia	W. T. McFalls	60.00	1.00				5.00	6.00	6.00	1.00		7.00	
Morgan Hill	W. T. Bradley	60.00			20.00		10.00	5.00	6.00	1.00		10.00	
Mt. Carmel	C. A. Miller	75.00	100.00			2.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	1.00		7.00	
New Salem													
Palestine													
Pleasant Grove		36.00	20.00				1.00	1.00		1.00		1.50	
Pleasant Hill	W. L. Kuykendall	40.00			12.00	2.00	1.00	4.00	2.00			6.00	
Reem's Creek													
Spring Mountain	G. O. Wall	27.00		3.00			3.00	2.00	3.00			1.00	
Swannanoa													
Vernon Hill													
West End	G. G. O'Niel	612.00	876.00	223.22	644.00		75.00	60.00	50.00			72.00	
Chestnut Grove													
Asheville, First Ch.	Wm. Lunsford	2,500.00	2,550.21	1,661.64	170.73		492.00	252.06	502.30		584.43	355.48	100.0
Mt. View	E. Allison	60.00						17.50				5.00	
S. Black Mountain	E. Allison	35.30	900.00	5.00									

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

SCHOOLS	SUPTS.	Officers and Teachers	No. of Schools	No. of Scholars	Average Attendance	Vols. in Library	Quarterlies and Papers Used	Months Kept Open	Baptisms from Schools	Home Missions	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Poor	Building and Repairs	Sunday School Missions	Other Objects	Sunday School Expenses	To the Pastor
Antioch	E. B. Goldsmith	14	2	140	80	96	120	12	5	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 20.00	$
Asheville, First Ch.	J. H. Tucker	37	3	713	466			12	65			303.20	312.06		742.41	*400.00		646.91	
Avery's Creek																			
Beaverdam	M. B. Scarborough	5		76	40		60	12				30.33	29.17			2.00		23.85	
Bent Creek	N. B. Creasman	6	1	60	30		25	12											
Berea	J. A. Cordell	7	1	35	35		65	12	5	10.00	6.00		10.00			1.50		10.80	
Bethel	Peter Rich	3	1	64	45			6											
Big Ivy	A. I. Ingle	10	2	80	55		177	12	5	8.00	10.00	8.00	31.00	60.00	40.00		30.00	16.00	50.00
Biltmore	J. M. Brookshire	8	1	120	70	260	150	12	8	15.00	14.00	8.22						43.65	
Black Mountain	D. A. Buchanan	7	1	54	46			8										8.59	
Brown's Chapel																			
Cane Creek	S. J. Ashworth	18	2	207	150		225	12	8				15.00					30.00	
Chestnut Grove																			
Elk Mountain	R. N. Branson	5	1	93	42		100	8	6									8.67	
Flat Creek	J. E. Chandler	8	1	70	40		60	12											
Gash's Creek	T. J. Ingle	9		66	50		75	12	2									18.00	
Hominy	E. L. Clark	8	1	65	45		78	12										15.00	
Jupiter	J. M. Pickens	6	1	65			60	12											
Liberty	W. W. Green	9	1	48	38	26	95	12										38.30	
Macedonia	Hugh Rymer	5	1	50			45	12										6.00	
Morgan Hill	J. F. Cheek	7	1	75	48		87	12					1.00					9.40	
Mt. Carmel	L. D. Brookshire	8	1		47			12					23.30					19.98	
Mt. View	J. A. Walker	7		29	35			12	15									7.15	5.00
New Salem																			
Pleasant Grove	J. O. Wall	6	1	28	21													2.00	
Pleasant Hill	R. W. Buckner	6	1	125	55	4	150	12										34.02	
S. Black Mountain	L. B. Hudgins	7		131	70			12										22.00	
Spring Mountain	F. M. Reed			67	50		30		6									6.00	
West End	J. B. Grice	13	1	469	143		326	12										57.27	

Table Showing Work Done Through the Different Societies

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools	Incidentals	Other Objects	Building and Repairs	Totals
Antioch	W. M. S., Miss Ella Goldsmith	$ 2.67	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 2.67
Asheville, First Ch	W. M. S., Miss Draughan	664.50	273.00	58.00						
	Y. L. M. S., Miss Hough	30.00		25.00		5.00				1,055.50
	Sunbeams, Miss Holman									
Beaverdam		8.75	13.75	4.25	12.00					38.75
Biltmore	W. M. S., Mrs. T. J. Reed	5.85		8.00	40.00	7.10				
	B. Y. P. U., J. W. Bailey						19.05			80.00
Berea	W. M. S.									
	Mary J. Alexander	15.00						5.00		20.00
Cane Creek	W. M. S., Mrs. P. O. Freeman	20.00	10.77	11.23						
	B. Y. P. U., J. R. Grant	7.50	7.50							57.00
	Sunbeams, Mrs. P. O. Freeman									
West End	W. M. S., Mrs. W. E. Logan									
	B. Y. P. U., W. E. Howard									
Big Ivy	W. M. S.	1.70	1.40		21.00			*4.50	3.53	32.13

*For Poor.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

Section 1.—This body shall be known as "The Buncombe County Baptist Association."

ARTICLE II.—CONSTITUENCY.

Section 1.—This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe County, who shall be recommended by a letter from the Church containing the statistical report herein provided for; Provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled, upon application, to representation in this Association.

Section 2.—Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of the twenty-one.

Section 3.—The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE III.

Section 1.—The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after reading of the church letters and the enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Section 2.—The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mill's Parliamentary Practice.

Section 3.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association, and pay them out on the order of the same.

Section 4.—It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.—OBJECT.

Section 1.—It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension, and Temperance.

ARTICLE V.—COMMITTEES.

Section 1.—At each Annual Meeting, the Moderator shall appoint the following Committee: Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State and Associational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday School, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the Association, and such other Committees as the Association may direct.

Section 2.—It shall be the duties of the Committees to report in writing on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

ARTICLE VI.—EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Section 1.—This Association at each Annual Meeting shall appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethren, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of North Carolina Baptist Convention in supplying the destitute within our bounds.

ARTICLE VII.—CHURCH LETTERS.

Section 1.—The Church letters shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of Church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their postoffices; number baptized; received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and number of deaths during the year; number and sex of members; time of prayer meetings; amount paid for pastor's salary; incidental expenses; home missions; and foreign missions, education, Sunday School and Bible missions; and if for any other object to be noted.

Report of Sunday School to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kinds of papers usd in the Sunday Schools; name and postoffice of the Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.—BY-LAWS.

Section 1.—This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mill's "Manual of Parliamentary Practice."

ARTICLE IX.—MEETING.

Section 1.—This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.—PRINTING.

Section 1.—Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed a copy of this constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI.—CORRESPONDENCE.

Section 1.—This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII.—FAITH.

Section 1.—This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform, and the only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspirations, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for information of others not acquainted with our tenets, for no other purpose.

Section 2.—As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII.—AMENDMENT.

Section 1.—This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

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Anderson, J. A.,.....Biltmore, N. C.
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Briggs, J. W.,.....Fairview, N. C.
Brown, A. E.,.....Asheville, N. C.
Buchanan, E., ...Black Mountain, N. C.
Cleveland, E. J.,.....Biltmore, N. C.
Goforth, M. A.,.....Asheville, N. C., R. 3.
Gosnel, G. W.,.....Asheville, N. C., R. 4.
Haynes, W., ...Asheville, N. C., R. 1.
Hooker, W. H.,.....Alexander, N. C.
Kuykendall, ...Asheville, N. C.
McCurry, J. H., ...Asheville, N. C. No. 3.
Morgan E. J.,.....Candler, N. C.
Morgan S. J.,.....Stocksville, N. C.
Morgan, S. J., Jr., ...Biltmore, N. C.
Miller Chester A., ...Fairview, N. C.
Moore, S. F.,.....Fairview, N. C.
Owen, S. C., ...Candler, N. C.
Plemmons James, ...Candler, N. C.
Proffit, M. S., ...Democrat, N. C.
Pickens, J. M., ...Jupiter, N. C.
Robinson, W. A.,.....Barnardsville, N. C.
Rice, Hiram, ...Barnardsville, N. C.
Sluder, M. M., ...Asheville, N. C., R. F. D.
Walker, R. P.,.....Asheville, N. C.
Whitaker, A. S., ...Biltmore, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

W. C. McConnell,	J. T. Justice,	J. P. Morgan,
J. B. Grice,	J. N. Morgan,	J. F. Cheek,
J. M. Stoner,	J. J. Greenwood,	J. M. Brookshire.

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR 1910.

Foreign Missions, ...Eld. F. A. Clark
Home Missions, ...Eld. W. M. Vines
State Missions, ...Eld. R. P. Walker
Orphanage, ...Bro J. N. Morgan
State of the Churches, ...Eld. S. C. Owen
Sunday Schools, ...Bro. J. B. Grice
Periodicals, ...Eld. W. Haynes
Education, ...Eld. A. E. Brown
Temperance, ...Bro. J. H. Tucker
B. Y. P. U., ...Eld. F. F. Brown
Devotional Exercises, ...Eld. S. C. Owen

PROCEEDINGS

The twenty-eighth annual session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with the South Black Mountain Church, August 10, 11, 12, 1909. Introductory sermon by Eld. G. G. O'Neil, at 10 A. M., Text, Rev. 3:8. At 11, the Moderator, Bro. J. P. Morgan, called body to order for the transaction of business. The Clerk being absent, J. F Cheek was elected Clerk, pro-tem.

Brethren A. E. Brown and J. M. Stoner were appointed reading clerks, and the following Churches reported with letters and messengers as follows:

Asheville First Church—Breth. W. C. McConnell, J. M. Stoner, J. T. Justice, R. J. Stokely, J. H. Tucker, Mrs. W. C. McConnell, Mrs. Mary J. Stoner, Missess E. A. Draughn Blanche McConnell, Dora Cain, Frances Suttle.

West End—Breth. J. B. Grice, F. F. Brown, G. G. O'Neil.

Calvary—Breth. H. A. Brown, Geo. Starnes, A. E. Brown, R. P. Walker, Missess Annie L. Logan, Maybelle Morgan.

Avery's Creek—Bro. B. Morgan.

Antioch—Breth. W. T. Bradley, E. B. Goldsmith, J. H. Woodward, M. S. Proffit.

Beaverdam—Breth. W. Haynes, E. P. Stradley.

Bethel—Breth. J. H. McCurry, E. A. Sluder.

Berea—Breth. T. K. Brown, J. C. Cordell, J. A. Cordell.

Brown's Chapel—Breth. W. T. Bradley, Spurgeon Bradley, Lucius Maney.

Biltmore—Breth. F. A. Clark, J. M. Brookshire.

Big Ivy—Breth. W. A Robinson, J. E. Hurst, James Burlison, Mrs. Lizzie Cole, Mrs. Mira Burlison, Mrs. Dow Williams.

Black Mountain—Ellis Burlison, W. Haynes.

Inanda—Eld. J. A. Anderson.

Cane Creek—Breth. J. W. Briggs, R. A. Morgan, A. H. Pinkerton, A. W. Morgan.

Jupiter—A. F. Roberts.

Elk Mountain—Breth. J. B. Gosnel, T. C. Tweed.

Flat Creek—Breth. J. D. Taylor, J. M. Doan.

Gash's Creek—Breth. T. J. Ingle, W. J. Goldsmith, John Bryant, T. J. Brookshire.

Liberty—Breth. J. H. Holcombe, W. J. Hipp, Miss Mary Holcombe.

Macedonia—Breth. H. B. Miles, J. D. Ledford, Gracie Sluder, Essie Rymer.

Mt. Carmel—Breth. E. A. Sluder, T. M. Rymer

Morgan Hill—Breth. W. T. Bradley, J. N. Morgan, J. F. Cheek.

Hominy—Eld. S. C. Owen.

Pleasant Hill—Bro. T. H. Kuykendall.

S. Black Mt.—Breth. L. B. Hudgins, J. H. Denney, Reuben Buchannan, Sam'l H. Henderson.

Spring Mountain—Bro. S. W. Guffy.

Reem's Creek—Bro. Herman Tomberlin.

The delegates being enrolled, the body went into permanent organization.

On motion of Eld. S. C. Owen, messengers of the new Church, Calvary, were seated in the body.

The Moderator appointed Breth. J. H. Woodward and J. N. Morgan as tellers in the election of Moderator, and reported Bro. J. P. Morgan chosen Moderator by a plurality vote.

The following officers were elected by acclamation; J. F. Cheek, Clerk; Bro. J. M. Stoner, Treasurer; and Eld. W. T. Bradley, Historian.

Elders A. E. Brown, S. C. Owen and T. K. Brown, were appointed as Committee on order of business.

Eld. R. P. Walker, Pastor of Calvary Church, and a new Pastor in the county, was welcomed to a seat in the Association.

The Moderator invited visiting brethren to seats in the Association.

Bro. John E. Ray, Pres. State Mission Board, Bro. A. I. Candle, Mars Hill College, Eld. A. E. Brown, and Eld. F. F. Brown, of the Home Mission Board and Eld. E. Allison of the Transylvania County Association responded.

Adjourned for dinner.

Re-assembled at 1:30 P. M. Prayer by Eld. W. T. Bradley. The Moderator declared the Association ready for the transaction of business.

The Committee on Order of Business reported as follows:

Tuesday—10:00 a. m., Sermon.
11:00 a. m., Organization.
12:00 a. m., Adjourned.
1:30 p. m., Miscellaneous.
2:00 p. m., Sunday Schools.
3:00 p. m., Periodicals.
3:30 p. m., Temperance.
4:00 p. m., Adjourn.

Wednesday— 9:00 a. m., Devotional Exercises.
9:20 a. m., Foreign Missions.
10:00 a. m., Home Missions.
11:00 a. m., Orphanage.
12:00 m., Dinner.
12:00 a. m., Dinner.
1:30 p. m., Woman's Work.
2:15 p. m., State Missions.
3:30 p. m., Report of Special Committees.
4:00 p. m., Adjourn.

Thursday— 9:00 a. m., Devotional Exercises.
9:20 a. m., Education.
10:00 a. m., State of the Churches.
10:45 a. m., Historian's Report.
11:00 a. m., B. Y. P. U.
11:30 a. m., Appointment of Committees.

11:45 a. m., Miscellaneous.
12:00 m., Adjourn.

The following Committees were announced:

Foreign Missions—Elders R. P. Walker, S. C. Owen, F. F. Brown.

Home Missions—Breth. J. H. Tucker, H. B. Miles, Geo. Starnes.

State Missions—Eld. J. W. Briggs, Bro. W. J. Goldsmith, Eld. W. A. Robinson.

Periodicals—Breth. R. A. Morgan, J. D. Ledford, J. T. Justice.

Education—Eld. A. E. Brown, Eld. J. A. Anderson, Bro E. A. Sluder.

Orphanage—Breth. J. B. Grice, J. M. Brookshire, E. Buchannan.

Woman's Work—Bro. E. P. Stradley, Misses E. A. Draughn Blanche McConnell,.

Temperance—Breth. J. M. Stoner, M. S. Profitt, J. B. Gosnel.

State of the Churches—Breth. W. H. Hooker, J. C. Cardell.

B. Y. P. U.—S. O. Ingram, David Taylor, T. K. Brown.

Sunday Schools—Breth. R. P. Walker, E. B. Goldsmith, T. J. Ingle.

Time, Place and Preachers—Breth. T. M. Rymer, H. A. Brown, J. C. Hudgins, J. E. Hurst.

The report on Sunday Schools was submitted and partially discussed by Eld. F. F. Brown, Eld. S. C. Owen, and Eld. R. P. Walker, but the final adoption of the report was postponed until Bro. Middleton could be present.

Report on Sunday Schools.

The greatest work this side of Heaven, except the preaching of the Gospel, is the teaching of God's word. The Bible speaks more often concerning Christ as teacher than as preacher.

He taught the people on the mountain, by the seaside, and in the synagogue. Everywhere Jesus found an opportunity. He opened his mouth and taught.

The Baptist's have been engaged in this work since the year 1783. This work has been emphasized by our Baptist State Convention from the day of its organization. Is this right? If so, we should enlist in this great effort to teach God's Revealed Will to the people who are ignorant of it.

In North Carolina we have 140,000 white Baptists who are not connected with our Sunday School forces at all.

The work in our State is hopeful. In the last four years we have gained 43,000 in membership to our Sunday Schools. The teaching is done better now than ever before.

Our Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn., has seen the importance of this work and has established the Chair of Sunday School Pedagogy to train the young preacher in this art of teaching.

No more significant movement has been set on foot than this. The training of more than a hundred leaders every year for future work in our Churches is no small thing in the Kingdom of God.

The holding of teachers' meetings in our Sunday Schools and Sunday School Conventions are great means in the hand of God for better

and more efficient teaching. Some things are necessary in our Association:

(1.) A better classification of the students;

(2.) We ought to use our very best material for officers and teachers;

(3.) Our Churches ought to prepare better equipment; such as Sunday School rooms and literature;

(4.) We ought to enlist every man, woman and child in the community who are not attending some school;

(5.) We want to make the chief aim in teaching, soul-saving.

Let both parent and teacher strive to lead every lost soul to Jesus Christ and so hasten the coming of our Lord.

Signed,

ROBERT P. WALKER,
E. B. GOLDSMITH,
T. J. INGLE.

The report on temperance was read next. Remarks by Eld. M. S. Profitt, Bro. J. N. Morgan, and Bro. T. K. Brown. On motion of Bro. J. N. Morgan a collection was taken amounting to $10.70 for the benefit of the Good Government League of Asheville.

By motion of Eld. A. E. Brown, that this body pledge its sympathy and support to the Asheville Good Government League.

Report adopted.

Temperance Report.

Temperance and patience are so closely connected that to be either intemperate or impatient we destroy our usefulness as well as God's law.

We sometimes wonder at the disrepard by Christians of this important command: "Be ye temperate in all things."

We make this command to mean, don't drink liquor, and yet so many of us continue to drink it, and all of us are more or less intemperate in other things, thereby bringing reproach on the cause of our dear Saviour.

Yet while we see but little improvement in our own lives along the line of temperance; we do see wonderful things taking place in our own County, State, and all over the South that will bring us more and more to appreciate temperate living.

The victories of the past two years for the cause of temperance ought to cause us to bow very humbly before God for His deliverance, and aid His faithful servants who are striving so hard to spread the cause of temperance over our dear land.

We beg in God's name that every member of this Association throw themselves on the side of temperance.

J. M. STONER,
M. S. PROFITT.
Committee..

At this time, Eld. H. C. Moore, Editor of the Recorder, Eld. H. W. Battle of Kinston, Eld. M. L. Kester of the Orphanage, and Eld. W.

R. Bradshaw, Evangelist for Western North Carolina, were recognized and accepted seats in the body.

The report on Periodicals was called for and after being read was discussed by Elders H. C. Moore, J. C. C. Dunford of Kentucky, M. L. Kesler and A. E. Brown. Report Adopted.

Report on Periodicals.

Your Committee would insist that every Baptist home in this Association contain some of our leading Church papers.

We recommend "Biblical Recorder," "Charity and Children," "Foreign Mission Journal," and "Home Field," as being worthy of the patronage of all our people.

R. A. MORGAN,
Chairman Committee.

The resolution by Eld. G. G. O'Neil in regard to forming the Churches of Buncombe County into groups, was referred to the following Committee: Breth. J. T. Justice, W. C. McConnell, J. H. Woodward, J. B. Grice and J. M. Stoner: which reported as follows:

We wish to endorse the wisdom of the plan of the Churches forming themselves into convenient groups and locating a pastor in their midst, and we recommend that the Association instruct the Executive Committee to pay out no funds intrusted to it except in the furtherance of this plan. Report Adopted.

Moved by Eld. S. C. Owen that, the Executive Board of the Association call a meeting of the Pastors and Deacons of the Churches in the near future to consider the carrying out of this plan—this meet- not to be later than Oct. 1, 1909.

The above resolution adopted.

Prayer by Dr. Battle in behalf of Mrs. W. F. Staley, who was very ill at Hendersonville, N. C.

Adjourned to 9 a. m., Wednesday.

8:30 p. m. Eld. F. F. Brown preached an able sermon from Acts 26:19.

Wednesday 9 a. m. The Association met pursuant to adjournment, and spent 30 minutes in devotional exercises.

9:30 the Moderator announced the body ready for business.

Visiting brethren were called for and Eld. J. O. Wall, of the French Broad Association and Eld. W. H. Woodall, Moderator of the Haywood Baptist Association, also principle of the Haywood Institute, responded.

By motion of Eld. A. E. Brown; That Section 3 of the Constitution be amended by adding to the Officers the office of Vice Moderator. Also, that the Moderator include in his list of Annual Committees a Brother to have charge of the Devotional Meetings of the Association.

They were both adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was submitted and was discussed at some length by Eld. R. P. Walker, and pledges taken amounting to $1,830.

Report adopted.

Foreign Mission Report.

All Christian effort has for its ultimate end the evangelization of the world. When Jesus stood on Olivet with hands outstretched blessing His disciples He uttered the marching order of the Church, to the bride which He left in the world, saying, "Go ye into all the world and preach my Gospel to every creature." His plan of saving this world is through the human life witnessing for him. Indeed, he has said, "And ye shall be my witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth."

The greatest joy of Christian service is giving this Gospel to all nations, tribes and tongues.

This was Christ's purpose in our salvation—to send the message of his love through us to a lost world. "As the father hath sent me, even so send I you." Our Saviour died for the whole world, and we are to send this glad message, wherever man is found. The Christian or Church which fails to obey this last and greatest command is disobedient and has not kept the covenant made to his Lord and Master.

Recently we sent out twenty-one new Missionaries. There are now on the field 231 Missionaries and 375 native workers, making a total of 606 workers. There are 259 Churches, and 559 out-stations with a mebership of 16,596 and 325 Sunday Schools with a total of 10,430 pupils. Last year there were 2,905 baptized, due to our efforts in giving the word of God to the heathen; but all the good cannot be summed up in figures.

The chief work of the Missionary is to preach, but one of the best aids in doing this, is to prepare the minds of the heathen for the Gospel in the school room. We now have 142 schools, 3,846 pupils.

Four of these are for the training of women, and eight are Theological schools with 178 students. Only one Chinese woman out of every ten thousand can read or write.

Another great department of our work is medical Missionaries. We have three hospitals, and eleven dispensaries with a total number of patients last year of 42,659. All of these heard the glad message while receiving treatment at the hands of the Missionaries.

The printing press is a great factor in carrying on the work. We now have four of these printing plants that are sending out thousands of papers, leaflets, tracts and Bibles.

Only eternity can tell the good done by these agencies.

The Southern Baptist Convention has fixed the estimate for this year's work at $537,500.

It is necessary that this amount be raised, to carry out the work we have planned to do.

North Carolina has been asked to raise $45,000. of this amount, and the Buncombe County Association has been asked to raise $1,950 of this amount.

That is a small amount for our great Baptist host of nearly 4,000 members to raise.

Our Churches have, hitherto, been doing practically nothing for world-wide Missions outside of the First Baptist Church of Asheville.

Nearly three thousand of our members gave last year the small sum of $360.

Brethren, is that obedience to the Lord's command? Just think Only 12 cents from each member for a whole year to preach the Gospel in the whole wide world.

Let the pastors endeavor to get a contribution from every member of their Churches.

Let us encourage Mission study in our Churches and the organization of the Laymen's movement, and Woman's Missionary Societies. Also, let us strive to put the Foreign Mission Journal in every Baptist home. Last but not least, let us pray for this work as never before, and do our best to carry out our Lord's great command while we live. Then and only then, can we expect to hear the words: "Well done thou good and faithful servant," from our Lord when we enter His courts on high.

ROBERT P. WALKER,
Chairman Committee.

The report on Home Misisons was read and discussed by Eld. A. E. Brown and pledges taken amounting to $909.00.

Report adopted.

Home Mission Report.

"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you."

A Christian can have no higher command than this. He needs no other authority. It imposes a duty that cannot be thrust aside. Christ's law is supreme and from which there is no appeal. He said: "Go!"—and go we must. He commands us to give His Gospel to every creature and nothing short of obedience can excuse us in the Judgment Day. Failing in this command, we become "the unjust steward," hiding out talent in a napkin. The world needs the Gospel. It has been entrusted to us to give it. We have the means and the command is imperative. It comes to every Church and every member—to me, to you.

The Lord not only gave the command, but in order that we might recognize the obligation without excuse, the Word has given us a plan which every Christian must recognize. The plan is known as the tithing system. When the Churches shall recognize this obligation, then the storehouse will be full and the world will rejoice. The command to us applies to the whole world and every part thereof. For convenience, the field has been divided into Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions and City Missions. This particular report has to do with Home Missions, which is an important integral part of the field. For the execution of this work, the Southern Baptist Convention has instituted a board called the Home Mission Board, located at Atlanta. It is the duty of this Board to help in Mission work in all parts of the South, in Cuba, Panama, the Isle of Pines, and other places beyond the Mississippi river. This is a great growing field and the demand on us is ever increasing. So that because the word "Home" is attached to Missions, there is no reason why we should conclude our gifts are not needed. Studying the field, we find Mission funds spent on the Home Mission field yield as gracious results as in any other part of the world. To that end, let us recognize the demands of this Board and respond generously to them.

What encouragement do we have? During last year, this Board su-

pervised the erection of 368 new Churches, organized 959 new Sunday Schools, constituted 316 Churches, and received by baptism 24,628 members and by letter 22,669, making a total increase of 47,297 members in this field in a year. To mention these statistics will certainly stimulate us to greater endeavor.

But this Board has placed us under further obligation to help. It is sustaining 8 denominational schools in our own mountains, in which there are 1,405 students, 30 Ministerial students, and in which school there have been 110 converts during the year. Beside the Secretary of this department is chosen from our Association. Are these figures not significant and inspiring? Certainly it is to our interest to give aid to that which does so much for us. The total contributions placed in the hands of this Board and used in the spread of the Gospel for the last year were $302,864.74. This year North Carolina Baptists are asked for $21,000.00.

If we are to increase in strength and members, we must look well to Southern points that promise so much in the future.

Wherever a new town is planned, the Baptist Church is demanded. Whereever there is a city without the Gospel as we believe it, it is our duty to give it, as the command comes for us to preach the Gospel to the world. The great number of immigrants pouring into the country demands our prayers and our work. While we have an opportunity, let us work for "the night cometh when no man can work."

J. H. TUCKER,
H. B. MILES,
GEO. H. STARNES.

The State Misison report was next called for, was read and discussed by Elders J. W. Briggs, and W. R. Bradshaw, who touched the hearts of all present by his masterly appeal for the cause in North Carolina. Pledges for over $1,000.00 were taken. Report adopted.

State Mission Report.

The work of the State Mission Board is that in which lies the basal hope of the civic and religious life of North Carolina.

It touches with vitalizing and productive effect all the interests of our people and every cause of God. Any cause, however good, that takes precedence over our State work is out of place, and is but satisfying its present hunger with the seed corn of the future.

If we love not our brother whom we have seen, how can we love our brother whom we have not seen? State Mission work is our center of gravity. There are strategic points in North Carolina under the fostering care of the State Board, that are of more ultimate importance than whole areas of space and teeming populations.

God has his "spheres of influences" in growing towns and soul-building schools of our State and in rural communities destined to be Edens of productiveness and nurseries of men. Let us take and develop these, and from them as His base of operations, God will send out His life and His truth.

Forty-eight of the sixty-one Associations had Mission work done within their boundaries during the past year by 153 Missionaries who with the salt of their lives and light of their messages are redeeming waste places, endowing strategic points, and promoting good citizen-

ship. Upon the shoulders of our Missionaries largely rests the weal of our Commonwealth, and we should render unto these, our noble home-guard every possible support and encouragement. There are now 148 Missionaries in the field. In North Carolina there are 1,146,831 unconverted people; white Baptists 212,876; received by baptism last year, 12,849, of whom our Missionaries baptized 2,047. Of the forty-eight houses of worship under construction, twenty-six were finished.

The amount of money to be raised this year is $40,000.

1. We need more money to pay adequate salaries;

2. We need more consecrated men who are willing to give their lives to Mission work on needy fields;

3. We need to inaugurate a system of colportage;

4. We need to educate our membership to more systematic giving.

We recommend that our Churches take collections quarterly.

Respectively submitted,

J. W. BRIGGS,
W. A. ROBINSON,
W. J. GOLDSMITH.

Adjourned for dinner.

1:30 p. m., Prayer by Eld. J. W. Briggs.

Eld. A. E. Brown in the chair for the evening.

The report on Woman's Work ,read and adopted after remarks by Bro. E. P. Stradley, Mrs. Starnes, Eld. A. E. Brown, Eld. H. C. Moore. By motion Eld. R. P. Walker was given 10 minutes to offer some plans on Woman's Work. Moved by Eld. A. E. Brown that instead of having a Committee on Woman's Work, that we ask for a report and message from the W. M. Societies of the county.

Report on Woman's Work.

By reference to the minutes of last Association we find that seven W. M. S. and one Y. L. M. S. reported work done to this body. Total, $1,252.

The present year so far report $1,523.74, making an increase of 21.7 per cent. over last year. We are pleased to note the marked increase and commend all our Churches who participated. In this as in all other things success is attained by continual, persistant, loving prayerful effort.

E. P. STRADLEY, for Comm.

The Orphanage report was then called and read by Bro. J. B. Grice, who made appropriate remarks, then Eld. M. L. Kesler finished the discussion of the report, which was adopted.

Report on the Orphanage.

Twenty-five years ago our Baptist fathers of North Carolina were confronted by a great vision, not such a vision as John from the Isle of Patmos beheld; but it was a vision of a great number of helpless and homeless little children, who needed their love and their care.

As a result of that vision, we have a home for these dependent ones,

at Thomasville, of which we are justly proud, while the number of children cared for there has increased each year yet the Manager of the home has only had to make the increased needs known to the great Baptist constituency of our State, and the needs of the children were supplied.

The General Managers Annual report for year ending June 15th, '09, shows that 56 children were received into the home during the year, 429 have been in the home at some time during the year, and the year ended with 394, counting the children that were sent out from the home, they have an average of 385 for the entire year. The cost of support of each child was $6.42 per month. The Woman's Building or Infirmary which has been completed since our last Annual meeting will add much to the equipage of this institution ,and will stand as a monument to the good women of our State. The General Manager in his annual report shows that there are other improvements which need to be made for the better equipment of the Orphanage, considering this and the increased cost of living, your Committee therefore recommends that a regular monthly offering be made by all our Sunday Schools, that every Church subscribe liberally to Charity and Children, and that our Thanksgiving Offering be made to the Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,

J .B. GRICE,
J. M. BROOKSHIRE,
E. BUCHANNAN.

The Laymen's movement was ably presented by Bro. J. H. Tucker, Chairman of North Carolina Laymen's Movement.

Eld. T. Benton Hill was given the floor and plead earnestly for the raising of Baptist Theoligical Seminary Endowment Fund that North Carolina Baptists have pledged.

A collection, amounting to $10.00 was taken for the purpose of putting S. Black Mountain Church free from debt.

Adjourned to Thursday, 9 a. m.

8:30 p. m., Dedication Services of South Black Mountain Church.

Eld. A. E. Brown preached the Dedication Sermon.

Thursday 9 a. m., thirty minutes were spent in Devotional Exercises.

9:30, Moderator in the chair, announced the Association ready for business.

Moved by Eld. S. C. Owen that the clerk use the terms *Elder* and *Brother,* respectfully in connection with the names of the brethren in the minute.

The Historian's report was next called, read and adopted as follows:

Historian's Report.

In looking over the 27 letters that have been read before the Association, we find the best year's work done that has been done in several years. The pledges that were made to the different objects at the Association last year, have most all been paid.

Most all of our Churches have had revivals during the year. There

have been 191 baptized. South Black Mountain has completed a splendid house of worship, which was dedicated during the Association.

Elder E. Allison has given up his work in the Swannanoa section and has charge of Jupiter and Flatcreek Churches.

Elder F. A. Clark who has recently come into our Association, has been called for all his time at Biltmore.

Elder J. A. Anderson is pastor at Inanda.

W. T. Bradley is preaching for the Church at Beaverdam. Dr. Lunsford resigned the Asheville First Church the last of Jan., since that time the Church has practically been without a pastor; however the Church has been supplied by different brethren.

We learn that the Church has called Dr. Wm. Vines, who is to take charge in September.

A new Church was organized in West Asheville the First Sunday in January. It was formed largely out of the West End Church, Asheville.

The Church took the name Calvary Baptist Church of Asheville. It was organized with 69 members and reports to the Association 77 members. They have erected a splendid brick building which is specially adapted to the Sunday School.

They plan to erect a large Church building in the future. The Church called Elder R. P. Walker as pastor and he entered upon his work in May.

W. T. BRADLEY.

The report on the State of the Churches was next submitted. Remarks by Elder W. H. Hooker. Report adopted.

Report on the State of the Churches.

Your Committee finds from the returns of the Churches a small increase in contributions over last year.

But it is to be lamented that a number of our Churches do not cooperate heartily and respond freely and liberally to the demands of our organized work.

We, therefore, recommend that the Executive Board apply all the means and so plan as to remedy this condition as fast as possible. It is further to be deplored that so many of our Churches have so little and almost no preaching while we have so many preachers without stated work.

Your Committee is glad to report that the forward movement for stronger devotion and wiser energy among our brethren of the Association until we shall have accomplished that purpose for which our Heavenly Father designed us.

W. H. HOOKER,
Chairman Comittee.

The report on Education was next called for and read. Remarks by Brethren A. I, Caudle, W. H. Woodall and A. E. Brown. Report adopted.

Report on Education.

Your Committee is glad to report that the forward movement for

education both secular and Christian continues unabated. There are more schools and better schools in North Carolina to-day than ever before. There are more students in these schools in proportion to the population than at any time in the past but it is the business of this body to give special emphasis to Christian Education. How many Baptist fathers and mothers have ever thought that they owed it to the denomination and to God to give their children an education? How many of the pastors have urged from the pulpit the necessity of an education? And how many of them make it a rule to speak to the parents in the home about their duty to educate their children? And how many of the pastors make it a rule to talk privately with the boys and girls in their congregations about going to school? Yet if this is not done, how shall the Baptist Churches of the Association be provided with Christian workers, qualified for service in the pulpit, in the Sunday School, in the W. M. S., and in the other departments of Church activities? Denominational schools cannot do all the work of education but without them the means of educaion would be lamentably scant in the land, and the denominational school is the only one in which denominational workers, laymen as well as ministers can be satisfactorily prepared.

We are glad to report that Wake Forest College, our college for boys, and Meredith College, our college for girls, had a larger number of students from this section last year than ever before. Indeed, it is specially gratifying to your Committee, that the number of our young people who are seeking a college education is constantly increasing. Our higher institutions of learning, above referred to, had last year the most prosperous session in their history. We are justly proud of these institutions and heartily commend them to Baptist parents as offering advantages unsurpassed by any institutions in our land. We especially commend the secondary schools, Mars Hill, Fruitland and Haywood Institute as worthy of the patronage of our people. It will be impossible to tell, this side of eternity, what these schools have already done in hastening the coming of the Kingdom. There is visible to us, a quickening of the Church life and an increased efficiency in our Churches, in all their departments of work, in communities where these institutions have secured patronage.

In order to preserve the Baptist secondary schools of the State and develop them into what the age demands, the Baptist State Convention appointed at its last session a Board of Secondary Education. This Board has secured the services of Prof. G. E. Lineberry as Field Secretary. Prof. Lineberry is an educator of experience, having given his life to the promotion of Baptist secondary education. We believe that this move will result in the strengthening and developing of our Baptist academies, and also in the deepening of the interest of the whole denomination in Christian Education.

We close this report by again urging upon the pastors, especially, the duty of constantly keeping before their people the obligation to educate their children.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. BROWN,
J. A. ANDERSON,
A. E. SLUDER.

The report of the B. Y. P. U. was submitted and by motion the discussion of the B. Y. P. U. and the final discussion of Sunday Schools

were combined. After a splendid speech by Brother E. L. Middleton, (who with Brother B. W. Spillman were warmly received) the reports of the B. Y. P. U. and Sunday Schools were adopted.

Report of the B. Y. P. U.

Your Committee beg leave to report as follows: We believe there is a great work to be done in connection with and through this society. The objects being, first to secure and intensify the spirituality of our young people and to enlarge their Scripture knowledge and to make them more familiar with Baptist doctrine and history, and to secure their enlistment in all Missionary and Denominational activity.

We therefore, recommend to every Church the importance of organizing a young people's society and thereby having the immediate advantage of the spiritual influence by being in closer touch with them.

The young people are our future hope. The destiny of the Churches are largely centered in the boys and girls.

COMMITTEE.

Resolution of Thanks.

Be it resolved, by the delegates of this Association, that we tender to the good people of Black Mountain our sincere thanks for the generous entertainment of this body; and more especially to the good ladies for their kind attention to our wants.

Report of Committee on Time and Place.

Time—Tuesday before the second Sunday of August, 1910.

Place—Mt. Carmel on the Leicester road. Elder W. T. Bradley to preach the introductory sermon.

On motion the clerk be paid $10.00 for his services, balance of minute fund be expended for minutes.

On motion J. F. Cheek be added to the Executive Committee.

On motion the Orphanage, State Missions, Ministerial Education, and Old Minister's Relief Board be added as objects of this Association.

Treasurer's Report.

Pledges are pretty well paid and we need to pledge more liberally and then work to even more than we pledge. There has been paid in during this session of the Association the following amounts:

For Foreign Missions	$ 46.34
For State Missions	58.74
For Home Missions	53.58
For Orphanage	57.65
For Sunday School Missions	37.00
For Printing Minutes and Clerk	45.01
Total	$298.32

J. M. STONER, Treasurer.

By motion the Executive Board was to select some suitable help in

the bounds of the Association for Sunday School Mission work. Elder S. C. Owen, J. T. Justice and J. F. Cheek were selected in their respective bounds.

Adjourned. Benediction.

J. F. CHEEK,
Clerk.

J. P. MORGAN,
Moderator.

PERSONAL PLEDGES FOR STATE MISSIONS.

J. W. Daughtery	$5.00
Gretna Cordell, paid	1.00
J. D. Taylor	1.00
Mrs. John A. Brookshire, paid	2.00
E. B. Goldsmith	1.00
Mrs. Mira Burlison	1.00
W. T. Bradley	1.00
T. M. Rymes	5.00
J. F. Cheek	1.00
E. M. Thorn, (Forest City, N. C.)	5.00

PLEDGES.

Churches	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday School Missions	Totals
Asheville First	$600.00	$650.00	$1500.00	$25.00	$2775.00
West End	40.00	30.00	25.00	5.00	100.00
Calvary	50.00	50.00	50.00	5.00	155.00
Antioch	25.00	20.00	20.00	2.50	67.50
Avery's Creek	5.00	2.50	2.50	2.00	12.00
Beaverdam	25.00	25.00	35.00	3.00	83.00
Bethel	5.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	9.00
Berea, F. Missions $5. by T. K. Brown for Berea	20.00	12.00	25.00	2.00	59.00
Brown's Chapel	5.00	5.00	.....	1.00	11.00
Biltmore	15.00	15.00	20.00	5.00	55.00
Big Ivy	15.00	10.00	15.00	5.00	45.00
Black Mountain	1.50	2.50	2.50	.....	6.50
Cane Creek	53.00	25.00	50.00	2.50	132.50
Elk Mountain	5.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	10.00
Flat Creek	15.00	7.00	10.00	2.00	34.00
Gash's Creek	10.00	6.00	6.00	2.00	24.00
Hominy	10.00	10.00	10.00	2.00	32.00
Inanda, x by T. K. Brown	x2.50	.....	.....	.....	2.50
Jupiter	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	17.00
Liberty	5.00	3.00	2.50	1.00	11.50
Macedonia	5.00	8.50	3.00	1.00	17.50
Morgan Hill	15.00	6.00	10.00	2.00	33.00
Mt. Carmel	5.00	5.00	10.00	2.00	22.00
Pleasant Hill	1.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	5.00
Reem's Creek	2.50	2.00	1.00	.....	5.50
S. Black Mountain	5.00	2.00	2.50	2.00	11.50
Spring Mountain	2.00	2.00	3.00	.....	7.00
Bent Creek	5.00	2.50	3.00	.....	10.50
Swannanoa	5.00	5.00	2.00	.....	12.00
Mountain View	5.00	.....	1.50	.....	6.50
White Rock	5.00	.....	.....	.....	5.00
Chestnut Grove	2.50	.....	5.00	.....	7.00
New Salem, F. Missions $5. by T. K. Brown	.....	.....	5.00	2.00	7.50
Totals	$982.00	$909.00	$1834.00	$81.00	$3797.50

TABLE Showing Work Done Through the Different Societies.

Churches	Presidents	Building and Repairs	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	Orphanage	Schools and Colleges	Incidentals	Poor	Old Minister's Relief	Totals
Asheville First Ch	W. M. S., Miss A. E. Draughn.	....	$638.00	$238.40	$138.45	.....	....	.....	....	....	$1014.85
	Y. L. M. S., Miss Hough.....	....	138.00	75.00	5.00	$25.00	....	$ 3.00	....	....	246.00
	B. Y. P. U. Edward Moore....	....	20.00	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	....	20.00
	Sunbeams, Mrs. J. W. Burdick	....	.....	.....	.....	15.75	....	.....	....	....	15.75
West End	W. M. S., Mrs. G. G. O'Neil...	....	16.10	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	....	16.10
Calvary	W. M. S., Mrs. W. E. Logan...	....	12.50	10.00	5.00	26.00	....	.....	....	....	53.50
	B. Y. P. U., Miss Annie Logan.	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	....	.....
Antioch	W. M. S., Miss Ella Goldsmith	....	2.50	2.50	.....	2.50	....	.....	$9.00	....	16.50
Berea	W. M. S., Mrs. M. J. Alexander	....	9.00	.....	11.00	.....	....	.....	....	....	20.00
Biltmore	W. M. S., Mrs. F. A. Clark....	....	11.50	5.75	6.00	47.50	....	.....	....	....	70.75
	Ladies Aid Soc'ty, Mrs. Reed..	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	$150.00	....	....	150.00
	B. Y. P. U., J. W. Baity.....	$4.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	$4.27	8.77
	Sunbeams, Mrs. F. A. Clark...	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	16.00	3.45	....	19.45
Cane Creek	W. M. S., Mrs. P. O. Freeman.	....	20.00	9.51	10.00	.....	....	.....	....	....	39.51
	B. Y. P. U., J. R. Grant.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	....	.....
	Sunbeams, Mrs. P. O. Freeman	....	16.24	.49	.....	.....	....	.....	....	....	16.73
Mt. Carmel	W. M. S., Mrs. John Sluder...	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	....	.....
Jupiter	W. M. S., Mrs. W. R. Tillery..	....	2.50	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	....	2.50
								Total.....			$1689.51

Churches	Clerks	Post Offices	Sabbath Meeting	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Letters Granted	Excluded	Deaths	Ordained Ministers	Male Members	Female Members	Total Membership	Value of Church Property	Seating Capacity
Asheville First Ch	C. S. Davis	Asheville	Every S	10	17	..	22	7	..	..	..	..	1107	.....	...
Asheville W. End.	W. C. Pennel	Asheville	Every S	2	7	..	70	..	..	2	66	147	213	$10,000	500
Asheville Calvary.	C. W. Lineberry	Asheville, R. 3	Every S	...	77	..	...	..	..	2	26	51	77	3,000	400
Antioch	W. S. West	Democrat	3	9	4	..	2	..	2	2	66	91	157	800	400
Avery's Creek	Jesse Ingram	Arden	4	2	3	1	4	3	1	..	14	29	43	200	600
Beaverdam	E. P. Stradley	Asheville, R. 1	4	...	...	..	...	..	..	..	14	24	38	1,200	200
Bethel	W. L. Lunsford	Asheville, R. 3	4	23	5	1	2	..	..	2	31	60	91	400	300
Berea	J. A. Cordell	Swannanoa, R. 1	1	3	3	..	3	1	3	1	30	52	82	1,800	400
Brown's Chapel	S. A. Bradley	Beech	2	...	...	..	...	..	2	1	23	35	58	1,200	300
Biltmore	J. W. Baity	Biltmore	Every S	6	5	..	...	3	1	3	34	71	105	5,000	500
Big Ivy	J. M. Greenwood	Barnardsville	2	7	...	4	9	..	2	2	57	85	142	3,500	500
Black Mountain	Ellis Burlison	Rock View	4	...	2	..	4	1	1	..	48	41	89	800	300
Cane Creek	R. A. Morgan	Fairview	2, 4	29	10	3	9	1	3	2	96	146	242	2,100	400
Elk Mountain	C. W. Piercey	Asheville, R. 1	4	...	1	..	4	..	..	1	17	25	42	.....	...
Flat Creek	M. B. Spivey	Stocksville	1	19	1	2	4	..	..	..	47	78	125	1,000	400
Gash's Creek	R. C. Sales	Skyland	3	...	8	..	2	1	1	1	19	35	54	4,000	300
Inanda	Edward Gordon	Candler, R. 2	1, 3	23	23	1	5	9	..	1	..	...	....	1,000	200
Jupiter	W. R. Tillery	Jupiter	4	18	7	..	10	..	1	1	41	40	81	.....	...
Liberty	S. P. Young	Candler	3	...	5	..	3	1	..	..	30	...	78	1,000	250
Hominy	Levi S. Clark	Candler	1	...	2	..	7	..	1	2	54	90	144	.....	...
Macedonia	.....	.....	.....	8	2	2	5	2	2	..	35	70	105	600	300
Morgan Hill	J. T. Gentry	Stocksville	1	6	16	1	3	1	2	1	65	83	148	1,000	350
Mt. Carmel	A. E. Sluder	Asheville, R. 4	1	...	5	..	3	..	2	1	41	46	87	800	400
Pleasant Hill	C. A. McHone	Alexander	2	15	9	..	16	..	1	..	50	64	114	300	200
Reem's Creek	J. B. Bradley	Reems Creek	.....	7	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	...	32	.....	...
S. Black Mountain	J. H. Denny	Black Mountain	3	10	19	..	2	2	..	1	21	42	63	2,600	350
Spring Mountain	S. W. Guffey	Fairview	1	4	5	2	11	1	1	1	18	28	46	700	300
Bent Creek	Mrs. Z. V. Green	Biltmore, R. 3	4	...	1	..	1	..	1	..	13	25	38	.....	...
Totals				101	242	17	201	34	20	27	..	...	3501	$43,200	...

Churches	Superintendent	Officers & Teachers	Scholars	Total	No. Schools	Vols. in Library	Quarterlies and Papers Taken	Mos. Kept Open	Average Attendance	No. Bap. from Schl.	Home Missions	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Poor	Building and Repairs	Sunday School Missions	Other Objects	Sunday School Expenses	Pastor's Salary	Total
Asheville First Ch.	A. D. Stoner	28	....	....	2	..	....	12	425	..	.....	.....	$126.39	$386.81	....	$185.04	$25.00	$600.00	$439.69	.....	$1752.93
West End	J. B. Grice	12	325	337	1	...	326	12	125	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	100.00	.....	.....
Calvary	J. L. Welch	12	200	212	1	25	290	12	142	..	.....	.....	.....	25.00	....	.....	.....	.....	112.00	.....	.....
Antioch	J. H. Woodward	10	110	120	2	...	110	12	60	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	15.00	.....	15.00
Avery's Creek	.....	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beaverdam	W. B. Scarborough	5	75	80	1	...	80	12	39	..	$17.85	.....	25.00	20.24	....	.....	2.00	.....	16.93	.....	82.02
Bethel	A. P. Rich	8	100	108	1	...	....	12	60	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	2.00	.....	10.60	.....	28.60
Berea	J. A. Cordell	6	50	56	1	...	60	12	35	3	.....	$ 5.00	6.00	5.00	....	.....	.....	.....	10.88	.....	10.88
Brown's Chapel	E. K. Roberts	9	91	100	1	...	280	12	54	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	18.50	.....	18.50
Biltmore	J. M. Brookshire	10	120	130	1	260	140	12	70	4	7.83	7.50	8.00	8.00	$6.75	5.00	.....	.....	30.00	.....	73.08
Big Ivy	T. A. Case	11	123	134	1	...	174	12	71	6	.....	.....	.....	15.70	....	.....	.....	.....	24.44	.....	40.14
Black Mountain	D. A. Buchannan	9	48	57	1	...	60	12	38	..	.....	.....	.....	2.00	....	.....	.....	.....	6.67	.....	8.67
Bent Creek	N. B. Creaseman	6	50	56	1	...	55	12	30	..	.....	.....	.....	1.75	....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....
Cane Creek	S. J. Ashworth	19	280	299	3	...	225	12	170	22	.....	.....	.....	15.00	....	.....	.....	.....	38.00	.....	53.00
Elk Mountain	.....	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Flat Creek	M. B. Spiver	6	75	81	1	...	60	12	35	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	7.20	.....	7.20
Gash's Creek	T. J. Ingle	6	49	54	1	...	84	12	33	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	6.00	.....	6.00
Hominy	M. H. Morgan	8	70	78	1	...	78	12	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	20.00	.....	20.00
Inanda	E. W. Brown	8	85	93	1	...	100	12	62	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jupiter	L. S. Roberts	8	70	78	1	...	80	12	52	..	.....	.....	.....	2.00	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00
Liberty	W. W. Green	11	35	46	1	28	105	12	37	..	.....	.....	.....	5.00	....	.....	.....	.....	41.52	.....	46.52
Macedonia	H. M. Buckner	6	75	81	1	...	50	12	45	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	11.40	.....	11.40
Morgan Hill	J. F. Cheek	8	95	103	1	...	80	12	45	6	.....	.....	.....	29.75	....	.....	.....	.....	21.23	.....	50.98
Mt. Carmel	T. M. Rymer	8	80	88	1	...	60	12	53	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	10.60	.....	10.60
Pleasant Hill	B. W. Buckner	7	55	62	1	6	25	12	35	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	5.13	.....	5.13
Reems Creek	.....	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	4.00	.....	4.00
S. Black Mountain	L. B. Hudgins	8	104	112	1	...	108	12	65	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$31.09	31.90
Spring Mountain	T. M. Reed	9	60	69	1	...	30	12	40	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	.....	227	2165	1484	..	319	3160	..	1814	76	$24.68	$12.50	$165.39	$516.25	$6.75	$190.04	$27.00	$600.00	$439.69	$31.09	.....

FINANCIAL TABLE

Churches	Pastors	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	For the Poor	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday School Missions	Orphanage	For Minutes	Other Objects	Old Minister's Relief
Asheville First Ch.	W. M. Vines	$1218.60	$ 185.04	$4536.58	.....	$600.00	$650.00	$1560.00	$25.00	$403.72	.....	.....	.....
West End	G. G. O'Neil	800.00	.....	30.75	.....	96.00	31.10	16.10	2.15	40.00	.....	.....	$100.00
Calvary	Robt. P. Walker	800.00	1100.00	148.90	15.00	5.00	10.00	17.50	.....	51.00	$ 2.00	$ 33.47	.....
Antioch	W. T. Bradley	60.00	.....	.....	10.00	25.00	20.00	25.00	2.50	20.00	1.56	.....	.....
Avery' Creek	S. C. Owen	50.00	.....	12.75	.....	2.50	2.50	2.50	.....	5.00	1.00	14.00	.....
Beaverdam	W. T. Bradley	100.00	40.50	.....	.....	25.00	55.00	49.40	3.00	36.55	1.50	28.00	.....
Bethel	J. H. McCurry	40.00	50.00	10.88	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.12	1.20	.....	.....
Berea	E. Alison	100.00	62.60	4.25	.....	16.00	16.00	20.00	2.00	12.00	.75	.....	.....
Brown's Chapel	M. S. Profitt	26.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.77	.80	.....	.....
Biltmore	F. A. Clark	.....	9.50	166.00	10.20	22.81	13.58	19.50	.....	61.20	1.00	4.27	.....
Big Ivy	Big Ivy	70.00	68.00	17.00	80.00	6.18	10.00	10.00	.....	15.70	.....	.....	.....
Black Mountain	James Blanship	30.00	30.00	.....	.....	.....	2.00	2.50	.....	7.00	1.20	.....	.....
Cane Creek	J. W. Briggs	200.00	7.00	55.00	.....	58.00	23.83	45.00	2.50	15.00	3.00	23.00	.....
Elk Mountain	M. S. Profitt	40.00	.....	.....	3.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	1.95	1.50	3.00	.....
Flat Creek	E. Alison	78.79	22.70	.....	17.00	5.00	.....	5.00	.....	6.00	.85	.....	.....
Gash's Creek	J. W. Briggs	100.00	32.00	10.00	.....	15.00	6.00	6.00	2.00	6.00	1.10	10.00	.....
Hominy	C. E. Jervis	103.78	6.98	9.00	.....	5.00	25.00	10.00	.....	10.45	1.65	18.95	.....
Inanda	J. A. Anderson	70.00	1000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Jupiter	E. Alison	100.00	244.50	75.00	25.00	.....	.....	2.50	2.00	5.00	1.50	.....	.....
Liberty	S. C. Owen	50.00	30.00	1.15	.....	5.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	10.00	1.40	.....	.....
Macedonia	.....	97.00	.....	.....	14.00	3.00	6.00	3.00	1.00	8.50	1.10	.....	.....
Morgan Hill	W. T. Bradley	80.00	.....	10.00	10.00	11.00	6.00	10.00	2.00	10.00	2.25	20.60	.....
Mt. Carmel	S. C. Owen	75.00	.....	18.00	.....	5.00	5.00	1.50	2.00	29.75	.80	13.00	.....
Pleasant Hill	A. J. Sprinkle	40.00	.....	.....	.....	3.00	5.00	2.00	.....	8.00	1.50	.....	.....
Reems Creek	J. A. Bradley	.....	2.55	.....	.....	.....	1.00	1.00	.....	2.00	1.00	.....	.....
S. Black Mountain	E. Alison	61.99	2600.00	13.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.10	2.00	.....	.....
Spring Mountain	J. O. Wall	25.00	15.00	.....	.....	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.50	.....	.....	.....
Bent Creek	S. C. Owen	32.00	.....	.....	.....	2.00	2.50	3.00	.....	4.25	.....	.....	.....
Total	.....	$3458.56	$5506.37	$5148.36	$194.20	$912.49	$896.51	$1813.50	$57.15	$786.53	$30.06	$168.29	$100.00

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

Section 1.—This body shall be known as "The Buncombe County Baptist Association."

ARTICLE II.—CONSTITUENCY.

Section 1.—This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe County, who shall be recommended by a letter from the Church containing the statistical report herein provided for; Provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled upon application, to representation in this Association.

Section 2.—Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of the twenty-one.

Section 3.—The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE III.

Section 1.—The officers of the Association shall consist of a Mod erator, Vice-Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after reading of the church letters and the enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Section 2.—The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mill's Parliamentary Practice.

Section 3.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association, and pay them out on the order of the same.

Section 4.—It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.—OBJECT.

Section 1.—It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension, Temperance, Orphanage, State Missions, Ministerial Education and Old Minister's Relief Board.

ARTICLE V.—COMMITTEES.

Section 1.—At each Annual Meeting, the Moderator shall appoint the following Committees: Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State and Associational Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday School, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the Association, and such other Committees as the Association may direct.

Section 2.—It shall be the duties of the Committees to report in writing on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

Article VI.—Executive Board.

Section 1.—This Association at each Annual Meeting shall appoint an Executive Board of three judicious and active brethren whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of North Carolina Baptist Convention in supplying the destitute within our bounds.

Article VII.—Church Letters.

Section 1.—The Church letters shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of Church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor; clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their post-offices; number baptized; received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and number of deaths during the year; number and sex of members; time of prayer meetings; amount paid for pastor's salary; incidental expenses; home missions; and foreign missions, education, Sunday School and Bible missions; and if for any other object to be noted.

Report of Sunday School to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kinds of papers used in the Sunday Schools; name and postoffice of the Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

Article VIII.—By-Laws.

Section 1.—This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mill's "Manual of Parliamentary Practice."

Article IX.—Meeting.

Section 1.—This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article X.—Printing.

Section 1.—Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed a copy of this constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI.—Correspondence.

Section 1.—This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII.—Faith.

Section 1.—This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform, and the only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspirations, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for information of others not acquainted with our tenets, for no other purpose.

Section 2.—As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

Article XIII.—Amendment.

Section 1.—This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

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Brown, T. K.....Swannanoa, N. C.
Buchanan, E.....Black Mountain, N. C.
Goforth, M. A.....Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Gosnell, G. W.....Asheville, N. C., R. 4
Hamrick, G. P.....Asheville, N. C.
Haynes, W.....Asheville, N. C., R. 1
Hooker, W. H.....Alexander, N. C.
Jackson, J. D.....Biltmore, N. C.
Liner, J. R.....Candler, N. C.
Marr, W. W.....Biltmore, N. C.
McCurry, J. H.....Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Miller, C. A.....Fairview, N. C.
Morgan, S. J.....Stocksville, N. C.
Morgan, E. J.....Candler, N. C.
Morgan, S. J., Jr.....Biltmore, N.C.
Moore, S. F.....Fairview, N. C.
Plemmons, James.....Candler, N. C.
Proffitt, M. S.....Democrat, N. C.
Pickens, J. M.....Jupiter, N. C.
Sluder, M. M.....Asheville, N. C., R. 4
Vines, W. M.....Asheville, N. C.
Whitaker, A. S.....Biltmore, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

W. C. McConnell. J. M. Stoner. J. P. Morgan.
J. B. Grice. J. F. Cheek.

CHAIRMEN OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES
FOR 1911.

Foreign Missions.....Eld. W. M. Vines
Home Missions.....Eld. S. C. Owen
State Missions.....Eld. G. P. Hamrick
Orphanage.....Bro. F. M. Williams
State of the Churches.....Bro. J. M. Stoner
Sunday Schools.....Bro. J. H. Tucker
Periodicals.....Bro. J. B. Grice
Education.....Eld. W. B. Creasman
Temperance.....Eld. W. T. Bradley
B. Y. P. U......Bro. G. D. Carter
Woman's Work.....Bro. E. P. Stradley
Devotional Exercises.....Eld. E. J. Morgan

PROCEEDINGS

The twenty-ninth annual session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, August 16, 17 and 18, 1910, beginning 10:30 a. m., and devoting thirty minutes to a song and prayer service.

The introductory sermon was preached by Eld. W. T. Bradley. Texts, Proverbs 11:30 and Mark 1:17.

The sermon was a great message to all, especially the ministers.

Prayer by Eld. H. C. Moore.

At 11:45 a. m., the Moderator, Bro. J. P. Morgan, announced the Association in session and ready for the transaction of business.

Brethren J. M. Stoner and R. J. Stokeley were appointed by the Moderator to read the letters from the churches, and the following delegates were enrolled:—

Asheville, First Church—Breth. W. M. Vines, R. J. Stokeley, J. M. Stoner, W. M. McConnell, Mrs. W. H Westall, F. M. Williams, J. T. Justice, Mrs. J. T. Justice, C. D. Creasman, M. A. Creasman, J. H. Tucker, Miss A. E. Draughn, Miss Nellie Pendleton, Mrs. Mary J. Starnes, Mrs. C. S. Davis, C. C. Mathews, R. B. Sams, Mrs. W. M. Vines, J. J. Britt, Addie Mathews, L. J. Mathews.

West End—Breth. G. P. Hamrick, J. B. Grice, G. W. Mattrison, J. M. Buckner, A. H. Moore, B. G. Hayes, W. H. Wyatt.

Calvary—Breth. G. D. Carter, Geo. W. Starnes, J. L. Welch, R. P. Walker, Carl Logan, J. H. B.

Antioch—Breth. W. T. Bradley, M. S. Proffitt, J. H. Woodward, P. M. Loven, E. B. Goldsmith, Miss Julia Arrowood.

Avery's Creek—Bro. Jesse Ingram.

Beaverdam—Breth. W. Haynes, E. P. Stradley, Robert Greenwood.

Berea—Breth. T. K. Brown, J. A. Cordell.

Bethel—Breth. W. L. Lunsford, J. H. Goforth.

Bent Creek—Bro. W. F. Hayes.

Biltmore—Breth. W. W. Marr, J. M. Brookshire.

Big Ivy—Bro. J. J. Greenwood.

Black Mountain—Bro. Wesley Burlison.

Brown's Chapel—Bro. M. S. Proffit.

Cane Creek—Breth. A. H. Pinkerton, J. M. Merrell, F. H. Trenton.

Elk Mountain—Breth. Welzy Langford, David Tate.

Flat Creek—Breth. J. D. Taylor, M. B. Spivey.

Gash's Creek—Breth. T. J. Ingle, C. C. Coon.

Hominy—Breth. S. C. Owen, Jones H. Morgan.

Inanda—Bro. G. W. Ballard.

Jupiter—Bro. A. B. Coats.

Liberty—Breth. J. H. Holcombe, L. W. Young, L. C. Holcombe, J. R. Sawyer.

Macedonia—Breth. J. G. Rymer, C. P. Hayes, H. C. Hawkins, J. D. Ledford, H. G. Rymer.

Morgan Hill—Breth. B. F. Arrowood, Lee G. Morgan, J. F. Cheek.

Mt. Carmel—Breth. T. M. Rymer, D. E. Ramsey, L. D. Brookshire, J. H. Miller, M. M. Sluder.

Pleasant Hill—Breth. J. A. McHone, F. H. Kuykendall.

Reems Creek—Breth. M. S. Proffit, W. J. Silver, H. W. Tomberlin, P. M. Buckner.

S. Black Mountain—Breth. L. B. Hudgins, J. H. Denny, Sister J. H. Denny.

Swannanoa—Breth. J. M. Lewis, A. M. Goldsmith.

White Rock—Breth. E. J. Morgan, J. R. Liner.

(Chestnut Grove, Spring Mountain, New Salem and Mountain View not represented.)

On motion the rules were suspended and the following officers were elected by acclamation:

Bro. J. P. Morgan, Moderator; Rev. W. T. Bradley, Vice-Moderator; J. F. Cheek, Clerk; Bro. J. M. Stoner, Treasurer; Rev. W. T. Bradley, Historian.

The Moderater appointed Eld. W. M. Vines, Bro. J. T. Justice and Eld. E. J. Morgan for committee on order of business.

Then adjourned one hour for dinner.

Benediction by Eld. W. B. Creasman.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

At 1:45 the delegates reassembled.

Devotional services conducted by Eld. S. C. Owen.

Song: "How Firm a Foundation."

Prayer by Eld. W. M. Vines.

The Moderator called the body to order for the transaction of business.

The Committee on Order of Business submitted the following:

Tuesday—1:45 p. m., Devotional Exercises.
2:00 p. m., Periodicals.
2:45 p. m., Orphanage.
3:30 p. m., Sunday Schools.
4:00 p. m., Adjourn.

Wednesday— 9:00 a. m., Devotional Exercises.
9:30 a. m., Foreign Missions.
10:30 a. m., State Missions.
11:30 a. m., Home Missions.
12:30 p. m., Dinner.
1:30 p. m., Education.
2:30 p. m., State of the Churches.
3:00 p. m., Temperance.
4:00 p. m., Adjourn.

Thursday— 9:00 a. m., Devotional Exercises.
9:30 a. m., State of the Churches.
10:00 a. m., Woman's Work.
10:30 a. m., Historian's Report.
11:00 a. m., B. Y. P. U.
11:30 a. m., Appointment of Committee on Resolutions.
12:00 m., Adjourn.

The Moderator invited visiting brethren to seats in our body, and the following responded:

Eld. J. F. Miller, of Washington County, Penn.; Eld. H. C. Moore, editor of the Recorder; Eld. M. L. Kesler, general manager of the Orphanage; Eld. T. L. Brown, of the Chowan Association; Eld. E. Allison, of Brevard; Bro. T. H. Revis, of Cherokee; Eld. J. R. Liner, from Haywood, now located in Buncombe; Eld. W. B. Creasman, of the Tuckaseigee.

The Moderator then appointed Breth. J. H. Woodward, J. B. Grice and J. H. Holcombe as Committee on Correction and Revision of Associational Letters.

The report on Periodicals was called and read, as follows:

PERIODICALS.

We live in an age of commercialism; our commerce is going into the ports of the world; the commerce of many nations is coming to our shores; and, with these manufactured goods and raw material, we have millions of immigrants, many of which must be taught and Christianized, or they will dominate and eventually heathenize us.

One of our greatest working powers for good is the press, especially the press that publishes the religious news that goes, or should go, into the homes of Christians and be read all over the land.

In the Biblical Recorder, published at Raleigh, North Carolina, our State Organ, we have the highest type of a religious weekly paper, which stands, preeminently, for the higher education of the masses and classes, together with missions, state, home, and foreign.

Therefore, every Baptist home should subscribe for and read their home paper and keep informed as to what is transpiring in the religious world and among the people.

Moreover, your committee suggests that, in connection with the reports on missions, orphanage, and other subjects, such literature be recommended or adopted as is best suited to and of the greatest advantage to the work.

Respectfully submitted,

W. HAYNES,
Chairman.

After remarks by Breth. W. Haynes, H. C. Moore, E. Alison, S. C. Owen and E. J. Morgan, the report was adopted.

The report on the Orphanage was then called and read by Eld. M. L. Kesler, as follows:

ORPHANAGE.

Our Orphanage at Thomasville has just passed its twenty-fifth year. During that time it has sheltered nearly twelve hundred dependent children. During the past year we had an average of 386 children.

The average cost of feeding, clothing and training these children was $7.15 per capita per month.

Our object is to give these children a home and at the same time give them the largest training of hand and head and heart—training them for life, training them for eternal life.

We recommend that every Sunday school give one collection each month to the Orphanage, also take a club of Charity and Children, and that every church take a Thanksgiving offering for Thanksgiving Day, or on the Sunday nearest to it.

M. L. KESLER,
For Committee.

After remarks by Bro. Kesler the report was adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was called for and read by Bro. J. B. Grice, as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The place which the Sunday School holds in our church work is becoming more important each year. For a long time after we began the organized Sunday School work, very few seemed to understand its real purpose, the schools were conducted very much on the order of our secular schools, the pupils were instructed to bring their Webster's blue back spellers and other school books to Sunday School.

We believe our schools are beginning to see that their real mission is to teach the Bible; we also believe there is very little Bible study aside from the Sunday School, hence the importance of a well equipped teaching force. A knowledge of the Scriptures will make us wise unto salvation. It will make us strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. The Sunday School is the best medium through which to utilize the rank and file of Christian manhood and womanhood for the dissemination of truth. Let us therefore put forth better effort in our Sunday Schools.

So far as we have been able to ascertain the schools in our Association are in a fairly prosperous condition, and all are perennial excepting about four.

Your committee recommends the co-operation of every school in the Association with our State Secretary, E. L. Middleton and others of our field workers in holding institutes, and in any other way that will aid us in this important work. We further recommend that the Sunday Schools of our Association, when it is possible to do so, order their literature through the Baptist Book Store at Raleigh, North Carolina, and that each Sunday School take at least one collection during the year to support the State Sunday School work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. GRICE.

After remarks by Breth. J. B. Grice, W. Haynes, T. K. Brown, J. F. Miller, and W. M. Vines, the report was adopted.

Adjourned to meet at 9 a. m., Wednesday.

Benediction by Eld. E. Alison.

WEDNESDAY.

9 a. m., Eld. S. C. Owen conducted the devotional services for thirty minutes.

At 9:30 the Moderator announced the body in session for business.

Brethren J. J. Greenwood, J. D. Taylor and Jones H. Morgan were appointed as Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for next year.

Brethren F. M. Williams, Jones H. Morgan, and R. J. Stokeley were appointed on committee to nominate executive committee.

On invitation of the Chair, Rev. W. N. Martin, of the West Buncombe Association, and Rev. C. D. Creasman, from the Orleans Association, Ind., accepted seats in the body.

The report on Foreign Missions was next called and was read by Eld. R. P. Walker, and ably discussed by Eld. H. C. Moore, followed by Eld. W. B. Creasman and Eld. R. P. Walker, after which pledges were taken, and the report adopted, as follows:

Foreign Missions.

The Committee on Foreign Missions submit the following report:

Since it was for a whole world that Jesus died, it must be for a whole world that we labor and pray, and a whole world that we seek to save. Christianity aims to be a world-power. From this it follows that we who hold the Baptist faith to be the primitive Christian faith must have a world policy in our mission work. It becomes necessary that we avoid all entangling alliances with other denominations, and all interdenominational affiliations which may involve any partition of the world between the workers under different creeds. It is probable that as the Bible is published and men read, there will arise a desire for the simple truth which will demand that Baptists enter many fields where we have at present no workers. We believe that men everywhere need the simple gospel as we proclaim it. We believe that we need for ourselves the inspiration of a world-wide vision, and a world-wide aim. And it is our joy to report that the signs of the times point significantly to a day when the religious map of Europe shall be changed, and when Baptist churches in large numbers shall be established in lands now given over to degenerate forms of Christianity.

If such a mission is demanded peculiarly of us as Baptists, and if the missionary enterprise finds its authority in the same command upon which is based the permanent duty of baptism, and our very existence as Baptist churches, then it follows that no man who fails to assist in the work of world-wide missions can be a consistent member of a Baptist church.

We rejoice that this past year has surpassed all previous years both in the number of conversions and in the amount contributed for the year's work.

Our present equipment includes a force of 109 male missionaries, 137 female missionaries, 114 ordained native preachers, besides 353 unordained native helpers. Our Board owns buildings on the field and property including 61 residences for missionaries, and five hospital buildings. At some of our stations in China, and at Ogbomoso in Africa we have especially fine plants. Besides the hospitals the missionary doctors of the Board operate 10 dispensaries, and in this medi-

cal work nearly 43,000 patients were treated. Thus as in apostolic times the preaching of the gospel is accompanied by the healing of the sick. This work should be enlarged, as it is reaching both rich and poor, and is breaking down barriers of prejudice and is opening the way for the gospel preacher. Another prominent feature of the established work and equipment is the theological work by which 227 young men were being prepared among the natives last year for the work of the ministry. From the present outlook it is likely that the number will be doubled within a few years, and for this enlarged number suitable provision must be made. These native preachers are the hope for the complete evangelization of the world. No great country has ever been evangelized by foreigners.

The contributions for the last year for the support of the work amounted to $501,058.84, and for this year the amount badly needed was $750,000. But a conservative amount was set as the objective point of this year's efforts, and the Baptists of the Convention are asked to raise $600,000. This means that all our churches should increase their pledges at least one-fifth.

God has greatly blessed us. We now have 19,239 members gathered in our churches on the field, besides the many who have died in the faith. Among these natives are 539 self-supporting churches; and the native Christians out of poverty which it is hard for us to realize, contributed the sum of $57,423.98 to the cause of their new-found Saviour.

This is a day of great movements. Startling changes are taking place in heathen lands, and are preparing the way for Christianity. There is a great unrest, widespread reaching out after something better, and this is the church's opportunity. Let us obey the call of God, and go forward. In some parts of the heathen world great evangelistic movements are spreading. Korea is aflame with revival zeal, and the aim in that country is a million converts at once. This is the object of prayer, of extraordinary efforts on the part of missionaries and natives, and is among them the subject of song. Let us begin to pray for yet greater things than we have seen upon our own mission fields. If the world is to be brought to Jesus there must be a great outpouring of the Holy Ghost in answer to prayer. A foundation work has been done. May there soon be ingatherings that shall manifest the wonder-working power of God.

F. A. CLARKE.

The Moderator recognized Eld. L. Johnson, corresponding Secretary State Mission Board; Eld. J. D. Colley, Eld. A. E. Edwards, and Bro. W. L. Foster of the West Buncombe Association; Eld. J. F. Bowden and Eld. J. C. C. Dunford of Ky.; Bro. M. M. Womboldt, of Fla., and Eld. A. I. Justice, of the Carolina Association, and invited them to seats in the Association.

The report on State Missions was next called and read by Eld. R. P. Walker, which was forcibly discussed by Secretary L. Johnson, who warned the Baptists to stand by their distinctive doctrines and principles. That we owe this position to other denominations and to the world as well as to ourselves.

Pledges were taken, and the report adopted as follows:

State Missions.

To give the Gospel to the destitute section of North Carolina was

one of the prime motives that prompted the organization of the Baptist State Convention in 1832. That is the prime object of our District Association. The work is called State Missions because this board operates only within the bounds of our State.

To write the history of State Missions would be to write a history of all our leading churches in North Carolina. The first church to be helped by this board was the First Baptist Church of Wilmington.

In the year 1832 that church received $100.00. Now the Baptists are very strong in that city, having three large self-sustaining churches.

Today that board is aiding weak churches from the mountains to the seashore, and God has greatly blessed the efforts made on the various fields of labor.

In Eastern Carolina the Baptist destitution is very great. Few of the churches are self-supporting, even in towns. This is due largely to the neglect of these fields in the past.

In Central North Carolina the great problem is to give the Gospel to cotton mill communities. These people came from their farms to those rapidly growing manufacturing towns, and they must have the gospel, for they are largely Baptist people.

This part of the State Mission work will be upon us as long as time lasts, because these people are not able, in most cases, to support a pastor.

Here, in the western part of the State, the Baptists possess the land, but small towns are springing up every year, and the people are going to these towns, and we must have these places held by good strong Baptist pastors. If we fail to do this, the cause will suffer all through the years to come.

Last year we had 241 churches and 115 out-stations supplied. There were 9,785 sermons preached by our missionaries and as a partial result 2,980 professed faith in Christ, 2,197 of that number followed their Lord in baptism. There were 22 church buildings completed, and 8 churches were organized. We paid for carrying on this work about $39,000, and our missionaries raised on the fields for different objects, $51,143.90.

Thus you see there is a clear gain in money to the denomination of about $12,000. State missions pay from a money point of view, to say nothing of those 2,980 who gave themselves to Jesus Christ. We have one missionary evangelist, Bro. W. R. Bradshaw, who also assists our faithful and beloved corresponding secretary in his work. God has blessed his evangelistic labors abundantly.

There were 421 led to Christ in the meetings which he conducted last year. This work was done on hard mission fields, it must be remembered. This year we are trying to raise $45,000 for this work. How easily this could be done if the 217,967 Baptists in North Carolina would give 25 cents each. We would have enough left to pay every missionary his full salary and have nearly $10,000 left to build churches on the mission fields. We suggest that we take the months of October and November, as our time to help in this glorious work, and that we urge our pastors to preach on State Missions during this time, and that we pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into the harvest.

ROBERT P. WALKER.

The report on Home Missions was then submitted by Eld. C. D. Creasman, and after remarks by Bro. Creasman and pledges taken, the report was adopted, as follows:

Home Missions.

After his resurrection and before his ascension, our Lord announced his program of missions. It was:

"All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. (Math. 28:18.) Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. (Mark 16:15), beginning at Jerusalem (Luke 24:47), and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the age."

The scheme of missions outlined by the Saviour took in the entire world. But the nature of the case, as well as his command and the apostolic example, made the world vision include the lost who were near, as well as those who were far away, and made it of first importance.

Our Jerusalem and Judea and Samaria are in the United States. Are we doing our part to take and keep our country for Christ?

Out of 90,000,000 population in the United States, there are only about 20,000,000 members of evangelical denominations of which about 3,000,000 are Baptists. Are we not too much neglecting our Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria?

Have our churches the unselfish Christian love and consecration to take hold of the crying needs of the submerged and neglected on the one hand, and of the pleasure seekers and money-mad on the other? The world is asking whether we have a gospel that is strong enough to command the hearts and lives of sin-buffeted men, and bring the harmony of love where now abides the discord of hate and selfish greed.

Alien immigrants flock to our shores at the rate of a million a year, and perhaps two million more of our own people each year are uprooted from their own environment and brought together in new relations in new towns and on the frontier. In these people-movements is at once a great problem and an unvoiced cry that ascends up before God for a gospel that will bring order out of chaos and replace the selfish hardness and barrenness of sin with good citizenship and brotherly love.

The Christian denominations of America are awakening to the magnitude of these problems and others not here mentioned. They are turning with an encouraging unanimity to Home Missions as the means whereby such problems must be solved.

Southern Baptists must take a large part in saving the lost of America. We hold the gospel in its purity. Since we have so much to give in making good Americans, while at the same time we make Christians, we are under the deeper obligation to do large things. Because we are more numerous than any other Christian body in the South, our obligation is greater than any other.

God has blessed the labors of the missionaries of our Home Board to far larger fruitage than that shown by the reports of similar mission boards.

The Board last year reported 27,426 baptisms and 52,910 additions to churches through the labors of missionaries supported wholly or in part

by it. No mission board in the world has reported results one-half as large as these. No home mission board in America, so far as we can find, had results more than one-third as large, though several expended four times as much in the work.

Our people are becoming aroused to the large importance of Home Missions, and each year the Home Board receipts are larger. This year the Southern Baptist Convention is asking for $400,000 to be raised for the work of the Home Board. Of this amount $26,000 is apportioned to our State. We ought to raise every cent of it and more.

Your committee recommends:

1. That this body provide for the apportioning of the amount our Association is to raise among the churches.

2. That our pastors be requested to make an earnest effort at least once during the year to preach a special sermon on Home Missions, and the magnitude and importance of the problems involved.

3. That each of our churches during the year make at least one liberal offering for this work.

4. That a club of subscribers be raised in each church for the Home Field, the unusually attractive and illuminating monthly magazine of the Home Board.

5. That churches and pastors be encouraged to make a large use of the Home Board's informing tracts and sample copies of the Home Field, both of which are free for the asking.

The address of the Home Mission Board is No. 723 Austell Building, Atlanta, Ga. W. M. VINES.

On motion, carried, the delegates pledge this Association to increase the contributions to the objects of our denomination 10 per cent. for the next year, 1910-'11, and that the Clerk be authorized to increase the pledges of last year (1909), 10 per cent.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

Benediction by Bro. J. L. Welch.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

At 1:45 re-assembled. Song. Prayer by Eld. L. Johnson.

The Vice-Moderator, Eld. W. T. Bradley, in the chair, called the body to order.

The report on Education was called and read by Bro. R. B. Sams, and after discussion by Brethren J. J. Britt and O. L. Stringfield, was adopted, as follows:

Education.

The Baptists of Buncombe county have a special interest in three secondary schools, two colleges and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Last year the secondary schools enrolled 532—Mars Hill College, 312; Haywood Institute, 128; Fruitland Institute, 192.

In our colleges the attendance was 733—at Wake Forest, 362; at Meredith, 371.

There were at the Theological Seminary last year, from this county, F. F. Brown and C. D. Creasman.

The religious education of the people is the demand of the hour. It is demanded as a *right.* There is a religious nature in all, and this much to be drawn out—educated, as much as the intellectual or emotional nature. Uneducated religiously, man is defective, far more than when his mental powers are clouded in ignorance or when his heart remains untouched by the power of personal attachments.

There is too an *economic* demand for religious education. Irreligiousness is the most expensive thing known.

It is demanded also as a *safeguard* of the life, liberties and interest of men. Man is man's worst enemy. Wild beasts, venomous serpents, earthquakes, storms, the whole category of diseases utterly fail to be as really damaging to men as men may be to one another. We have more need to be saved from one another than from any enemy this side of perdition, and how is such salvation possible without genuine religious life in the people? Mere intellectual training without faith, love, reverence, without spiritual life, and we have only a refined cannibalism, preying upon human rights, liberties and interests, if not on human flesh.

Religion ought to go hand in hand with all education. We are bound to see the need of this more and more as time goes on. Really practical education is distinctively Christian. Mere technical training may become most unpractical. America's danger today is from so-called "cultured" rascals, while in the Christian training of the people is her salvation.

But how shall this true education of the people be secured? With the Bible ruled out of many of our public schools, ignored or belittled in so-called "higher institutions of learning," how can there be efficient religious life or Christian education of the people unless we foster our Christian schools?

In a generation so dominated by worldly and material aims, it is to the Christian schools we must look for leadership in religious work.

A. E. BROWN,
Chairman Committee.

The report on the State of the Churches was read and made a special order for Thursday at 9:30 a. m.

The report on Temperance was next read by Bro. J. H. Tucker, and after speeches by Eld. J. C. C. Dunford, Bro. J. H. Tucker, and Eld. M. S. Proffit, the report was adopted, as follows:

Temperance Report.

The command to be temperate in all things can best be emphasized in this report by limiting it to one thing—that is, to the liquor question. Dram drinking has long since been put under the ban by the Protestant world. The liquor traffic has been the arch enemy of the church and humanity and the organization of the liquor dealers is a terrible foe to both church and state. It is an evil so gigantic and subtle that it cannot be temporized with and so sinful and damning that its influence cannot be condoned, palliated or excused. To treat with it is to license it and to tolerate it is to sanction permissive crime. There is but one way to control it and that is absolute prohibition, followed by the election of officers who will enforce the law. Christian influence has given

us prohibition. We must trust to the Baptists of this Association and other Christians of this county to vote only for officers who oppose the license system and who will pledge themselves to enforce the law and to suppress the liquor curse in every form.

Respectfully submitted,

GARRETT CARTER,
J. H. TUCKER,
J. J. GREENWOOD,
Committee.

The report of the work done by the different societies conducted by the ladies was read by Bro. J. H. Tucker as follows, but its adoption was postponed until Thursday:

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION TO THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The Woman's Missionary Union of Buncombe County, auxiliary to the Buncombe County Association, was organized at Jupiter church in 1908.

Seven missionary societies were represented at the organization of the Union. Last year eight societies sent reports to the annual meeting.

No specific work was planned for the first year, but the second year the Union decided that the woman's missionary societies should try to raise $300 for Home Missions. This amount to be applied to the support of a missionary in the city of Havana, Cuba. For Foreign Missions they were requested to give $100 for the support of a native missionary in Africa.

The societies gave $112.76 for the African missionary, but fell short $89.90 on the Cuban missionary's support. While we more than reached our aim for Foreign Missions, you see we were very much behind with our Home Mission offering.

We are very much disappointed that we failed to reach our aim for Home Missions, but try to console ourselves with the fact that the societies gave $119.28 to State Missions.

The executive committee of the Union recommend that for this year's work the societies continue the support of the African missionary and again endeavor to raise the full amount required to support a missionary in Cuba.

It is the earnest desire and prayer of the executive committee that the Union may, at no distant date, put a missionary in this Association to work up the missionary spirit in the churches.

The following reports will show the amounts contributed by the Woman's Missionary Societies for the years 1909 and 1910:

Foreign Missions	$ 789.01
Home Missions	213.50
State Missions	119.28
Total	$1,121.79

In addition to what the Woman's Missionary Societies have given, the Young Woman's Auxiliary of the First Baptist Church contributed

to Foreign Missions $194.00, Home Missions $45.00 and to State Missions $12.00.

The Sunbeams gave $17.82 to Home Missions, making the total of all the work reported by the women and children of the Association amount to $1,393.61.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS E. A. DRAUGHN, Pres.
MRS. MARY J. STARNES, Secy.

Adjourned to 9 a. m., Thursday.

THURSDAY MORNING.

9 a. m., Devotional exercises, conducted by Eld. S. C. Owen.

9:30, the body was announced ready for business by Moderator.

On motion the Constitution was changed so as to include the Moderator and Clerk of the Association in the Executive Board.

The report of the State of the Churches was next read by Eld. S. C. Owen, and after interesting remarks by Breth. S. C. Owen, E. Alison and G. D. Carter, the report was adopted, as follows:

State of the Churches.

Our Lord says, "By their fruits ye shall know them," by which we are to understand that we are to be known and measured by what we do. What the Apostles and churches of their day did in evangelizing the world is recorded and called the "Acts of the Apostles."

It might be helpful for us to review the Acts of the Apostles and churches of the Buncombe County Association for the last four years. Here are some facts as gathered from the minutes:

In 1907 the total increase in membership was 203; 83 of this number joined the First church of Asheville, leaving 120 to be divided between the other 30 churches reported that year, or an average of 4 members to the church.

In 1908 the increase was 298. The First church of Asheville received 238 of this number, leaving 60 members to the other 27 churches, or 2 2-9 members to the church.

In 1909 the increase was 186. The three Asheville churches received 14 of this number, leaving 172 to the other 25 churches reported, or an average of a little less than 7 to the Church.

In 1910, the increase was 256. The three Asheville churches received 225 of this number, leaving a net gain in the other 21 churches of 31, or just 10 over 1 to the Church.

Ten churches report a loss of membership this year.

Again taking the four leading objects of the Association, State, Home, Foreign Missions and the Orphanage, we gather the following figures:

In 1907 there was contributed to these objects $3,790.79; of this amount the two Asheville churches gave $3,319.42, leaving to the other 30 churches $471.37, or $15.71 to the church.

In 1908 the total paid to these objects from 33 churches was $2,393.44; of this amount the two Asheville churches paid $1,858.84,

leaving a balance of $334.60 to the other 31 churches, or an average of $10.80 to the church.

In 1909, $4,409.03 was paid to these objects, and the three Asheville churches paid $3,555.92, leaving a net balance of $853.11, or an average of $35.33 to the other 25 churches reported for that year.

In 1910 the amount for the same is $4,044.03. The three Asheville churches gave $3,314.13, leaving a balance to the other 21 churches of $488.11, or an average of $23.24.

These figures do not do justice to some of the churches.

For instance, Beaverdam church gave to these objects in 1909 $165.95, or $130.62 above the average for that year.

Cane Creek paid the same year, $141.83, or $106.50 above the average.

But taking these figures as a basis of our *acts* and putting the great demand of the cause of Christ upon us, and our ability to do, it is evident that we are unjust stewards of the manifold grace of God. We are trifling with a sacred trust.

Let us take another instance: In 1909 the First Church of Asheville gave to the support of a missionary and his wife in Brazil $1,560, or an average of $1.41 to its 1,107 members.

The other 2,394 members gave for the same year $253.50, or an average of a little more than 10 cents a member. Can all the other churches of Buncombe county afford to do less for the benighted heathen than the First Church of Asheville? Brethren, this situation cannot be attributed to our poverty, because the country people handle more money than ever in the history of this county.

We are slow to believe that it is stinginess. Our people have proven themselves ready to respond when convinced that the cause is a worthy one. We cannot believe that the whole cause is the inefficiency of the country pastors. The prime cause is the want of better methods of church work.

The Bible plan is for the churches to have pastors to shepherd the flocks—to lead them into the green pastures of usefulness. The ongoing and efficiency of the churches depend on this. The country pastors, a few excepted, are farming, teaching, etc., for a living, and are no more than supplies. God's plan is for the pastors to be wholly given to this work and be supported by the churches. "The Lord hath ordained that they that preach the gospel should live of the gospel."

The thing to do now, is to at once remedy this situation, return to the Bible plan.

We recommend: (1), That the plan to group the churches from two to four in a group, as recommended at the last Association, and referred to the Executive Board, be earnestly laid before the churches.

(2). That the Executive Board plan a series of appointments in this county during this fall and explain the plan and method of co-operation.

(3) That the mission money expended in this Association be used to help the weaker churches to support their pastors.

(4) That the month of September next be set apart as a month of prayer for a revival of soul-saving and better methods of church work

in our churches, and that the pastors be asked to lay the existing conditions before their churches and ask their co-operation.

S. C. OWEN,
W. T. BRADLEY,
Committee.

The report on Woman's work was read by Bro. F. M. Williams, and after remarks by Bro. J. B. Grice, the report was adopted as follows:

Woman's Work.

The minute for last year shows that there are Women's Missionary Societies in nine of our churches, all of which reported work but one. This is a gain over the previous year of two societies. The minute reports only one Y. L. M. S. These societies report contributions to the amount of $1,629.71, against $1,523.74 for the previous year, a gain of $105.97. The total contributions of these societies amount to more than 8 per cent. of the entire contribution of the Association. The minute shows contributions from 28 churches.

If all these had had W. M. Societies and each had contributed its proportional share, the contribution from these societies alone would have been over $4,889.13, or about 24 per cent. of the total contribution of the Association, which would have been $23,925.64 instead of $20,666.22.

We recommend that W. M. Societies be organized in every church where it is possible, and that the pastors give them all possible encouragement and support.

C. D. CREASMAN,
F. M. WILLIAMS,
Committee.

The Historian's report was next called and read by Eld. W. T. Bradley, and after remarks by him, the report was adopted, as follows:

Report of Historian.

Your committee report 28 churches represented in the Association this year.

The letters show that there have been 233 baptized, and about all of the churches report good Sunday schools.

The changes of pastors are as follows: Eld. J. R. Liner is pastor at White Rock and Inanda; Eld. J. A. Bradley at Berea; Eld. G. P. Hamrick at West End; Eld S. J. Morgan at Swannanoa; Eld. M. S. Proffit at Reems Creek; N. B. Philipps at Cane Creek; J. W. Briggs having resigned and moved to Transylvania county.

Eld. F. A. Clark gave up the work at Biltmore, and Eld. W. W. Marr is pastor. Eld. M. M. Sluder is pastor at Macedonia, and Eld. R. P. Walker has resigned Calvary church. Eld. R. H. Freeman is pastor at South Black Mountain.

Elders W. A. Robinson and Joseph Cordell have gone to their heavenly home since our last Association. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord."

Your committee is of the opinion that there is a lack of spirituality in our churches. We need a deeper consecration of heart and soul to God's cause.

Further, we need to have more conversions and additions to our churches. Therefore, let us pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into the harvest. The fields are white and devoted workers are too few.

W. T. BRADLEY.

The report of the B. Y. P. U. not being made, it was moved that it be handed the clerk later. The committee gave us the following report:

B. Y. P. U.

The Baptist Young People's Union is a great Christian organization for the young people. The object being to intensify the spirituality of our young people and to give them work that they do not get in the churches.

It enlarges the Scriptural knowledge and makes them more familiar with the doctrines of the Baptists and brings them in close touch with the teaching of the denomination in missionary work.

We therefore recommend to every church the importance of organizing the B. Y. P. U.

The young people of our churches are the hope of the future. The destiny of the churches is largely centered in the boys and girls.

The advancement of Christ's kingdom and the sending of the gospel all over the world, will in the near future be in the hands of the young people of our country.

LEE G. MORGAN,
For Committee.

The Committee on Time and Place reported as follows:

Time, Tuesday after second Sunday in August, 1911, at 10:30 a. m. Place, Big Ivy Baptist church.

To preach the introductory sermon, Eld. W. M. Vines.

Respectfully submitted,
J. J. GREENWOOD,
Committee.

Bro. G. H. Carter agreed to assist Bro. Gray in Home Mission contributions, distributing literature and taking subscriptions for "Our Home Field."

The Treasurer's report was read and adopted, as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Your Treasurer begs leave to report collections at the Association for the year 1910, as follows:

Foreign Missions	$ 49.17
State Missions	59.63
Home Missions	45.05
Orphanage	28.63
Sunday Schools	12.50
Printing Minutes	44.90
Total	$239.88

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. STONER,
Treasurer.

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to enter the pledges for Sunday School Missions the same as last year, the taking of pledges having been omitted when the report on Sunday Schools was adopted.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Be It Resolved, By the delegates of this Association, that we tender thanks to the good people of Mt. Carmel our sincere thanks for the generous entertainment of this body, and more especially to the good ladies for their kind attention to our wants.

The Clerk was instructed to have as many minutes printed as he could with the minute fund after retaining ten dollars for his services.

This session of our Association was a very harmonious one indeed. From the very first session the body seemed to be in a good spiritual mood.

Eld. G. P. Hamrick preached a short sermon at 11:40 a. m. His theme was, "Our Duty to Give to the Lord."

At the close of this service one or two boys professed faith in Christ.

Adjourned to time and place, 1911.

Benediction by Eld. G. P. Hamrick.

PLEDGES

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Totals.
Asheville First	$1650.00	$ 660.00	$715.00	$27.50	$3052.50
West End	27.50	50.00	33.00	5.50	116.00
Calvary	55.00	55.00	55.00	5.50	170.00
Antioch	13.20	27.50	13.20	2.00	55.90
Avery's Creek	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.00	8.60
Beaverdam	40.00	30.00	30.00	3.00	103.00
Bethel	2.00	2.00	5.00	2.00	11.00
Berea	26.00	6.60	14.30	2.00	48.90
Brown's Chapel	.....	2.00	2.00	1.00	5.00
Biltmore	21.00	17.00	17.00	5.50	60.50
Big Ivy	10.00	10.00	7.50	2.00	29.50
Black Mountain	3.50	2.00	2.00	.....	7.50
Bent Creek	6.50	3.00	3.00	1.00	13.50
Cane Creek	55.00	58.30	27.50	2.50	143.30
Elk Mountain	3.30	5.50	1.10	1.10	11.00
Flat Creek	11.00	11.00	5.50	2.20	29.70
Gash's Creek	7.00	11.00	7.00	2.00	27.00
Hominy	11.00	11.00	11.00	2.50	35.00
Inanda	3.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	8.00
Jupiter	5.50	5.50	5.50	2.20	18.70
Liberty	2.75	5.50	3.30	1.10	12.65
Macedonia	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morgan Hill	10.00	15.00	10.00	2.00	37.00
Mt. Carmel	10.00	6.00	6.00	2.20	24.20
Pleasant Hill	1.10	1.10	1.10	2.20	5.50
Reem's Creek	2.00	2.00	2.00	.....	6.00
S. Black Mountain	2.50	2.50	2.50	1.00	8.50
Spring Mountain	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Swannanoa	5.00	2.50	2.50	2.00	12.00
White Rock	10.00	5.00	1.00	.....	16.00
New Salem	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chestnut Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total for each object	$1986.05	$1010.20	$988.20	$83.00	.....
Grand Total					$4067.45

TABLE SHOWING WORK DONE THROUGH THE DIFFERENT SOCIETIES.

Churches.	Presidents.	Building and Repairs.	Incidentals.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Poor.	No. Members.	Totals.
Asheville First	W. M. S., Miss A. E. Draughn.	$525.00	$39.78	$ 56.55	$325.00	$671.40	$ 39.35	$	$	80	$1657.08
P. O., Asheville, N. C.	Y. L. M. S., Mrs. W. M. Vines.	100.00	.....	12.00	45.00	194.00	.....	.....	.....	50	351.00
	B. Y. P. U., E. W. Wright....	118.35	25.06	.....	17.82	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	161.23
	Sunbeams,, Mrs. G. A. Brown.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
West End	W. M. S., Mrs. G. W. Mattison	.....	.....	10.45	45.84	26.56	72.00	2.00	.....	26	156.85
P. O., Asheville N. C.	B. Y. P. U., J. B. Grice.....	25.35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	53	25.35
Calvary	W. M. S., Mrs. B. B. Jones....	45.00	.....	12.55	10.00	20.75	.....	.....	.....	33	88.30
P. O. Asheville, R. 3.	B. Y. P. U., Emmons Patterson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....
Antioch	W. M. S., Miss Ella Goldsmith.	.....	.....	.....	3.00	2.50	2.50	.....	.....	6	8.00
P. O., Democrat, N. C.											
Berea	W. M. S., Mary Alaxender....	.....	.....	17.00	.....	8.00	.....	.....	.....	12	25.00
P. O., Swannanoa, R. 1											
Beaverdam	.....			11.00	20.75	23.00	.....	.....	.....	...	54.75
Biltmore	W. M. S., Mrs. Sue B. Reed...	.....	.....	5.25	5.15	10.90	8.50	.....	.....	16	29.85
P. O., Biltmore, N. C.	B. Y. P. U., May Lipe.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34	5.00
Cane Creek	W. M. S., Mrs. P. O. Freeman.	.....	.....	10.00	7.05	9.13	.....	.....	.....	20	26.28
P. O., Fairview, N. C.	B. Y. P. U., H. T. Hunter.....	.....	.....	1.00	1.16	9.37	.....	.....	.....	69	11.53
	Sunbeams, Mrs. P. O. Freeman	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	.....
Jupiter	W. M. S., W. R. Tillery.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....
P. O., Jupiter, N. C.											
Sou. Black Mountain....	W. M. S., Mrs. J. P. Parker...	.....	.....	.....	2.85	2.85	2.25	.....	2.00	7	7.95
P. O., Bl'k Mtn., N. C.											
		$818.70	$64.84	$135.82	$483.62	$958.41	$124.60	$2.00	$2.00	616	$2589.99

Churches.	Clerks.	Postoffices.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Letters Granted.	Excluded.	Deaths.	Male Members.	Female Members.	Total Membership.	Ordained Ministers.	Sabbath Meeting.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity.
Asheville First	C. S. Davis	Asheville, N. C.	60	108	13	43	3	4	....	....	1204	1	Every S	$ 60,000	1200
Asheville W End.	W. C. Pennell	Asheville, N. C.	11	27	..	3	2	..	92	173	265	1	Every S	10,000	800
Asheville Calvary.	C. M. Lineberry	Asheville, R. 3	45	27	..	10	..	1	54	90	144	4	Every S	4,000	400
Antioch	Anderson Burrell	Democrat, N. C.	2	3	2	10	..	3	61	86	147	1	3	800	400
Avery's Creek	S. O. Ingram	Arden, N. C.	...	...	..	3	3	..	12	22	34	..	4	200	600
Beaverdam	E. P. Stradley	Asheville, R. 1	4	6	..	5	..	1	20	23	43	1	2, 4	1,400	200
Bethel	W. L. Lunsford	Asheville, R. 3	...	4	..	2	..	3	33	41	74	2	4	350	200
Berea	J. A. Cordell	Swannanoa, R. 5	5	...	..	...	..	..	31	48	79	1	1, 3	1,800	400
Brown's Chapel	S. A. Bradley	Beech, N. C.	...	...	..	...	..	..	23	35	58	..	2	.....	....
Biltmore	C. N. Justice	Asheville, N. C.	12	2	1	5	..	..	31	72	103	3	Every S	5,000	500
Big Ivy	J. M. Greenwood	Barnardsville	18	2	3	5	2	3	61	88	149	..	2	2,500	800
Black Mountain	Ellis Burlison	Rock View	1	...	..	1	6	1	41	38	79	..	4	800	400
Bent Creek	Mrs. Z. V. Greene	Biltmore, R. 3	...	...	..	...	..	..	13	23	36	..	4	.....	....
Cane Creek	R. A. Morgan	Fairview, N. C.	3	1	1	8	..	3	92	144	236	1	Every S	2,200	400
Elk Mountain	C. W. Piercy	Asheville, R. 1	10	5	..	1	..	..	25	31	56	2	4	.....	....
Flat Creek	M. B. Spivey	Stocksville, N. C.	13	6	1	2	..	3	58	84	142	..	1	1,000	400
Gash's Creek	R. C. Sales	Skyland, N. C.	2	1	0	1	..	..	22	35	57	..	3	4,000	350
Hominy	Levi S. Clark	Candler, N. C.	6	7	0	4	0	2	57	84	141	..	1	.....	....
Inanda	Eugene Brown	Candler, R. 2	...	1	1	15	0	2	21	45	66	1	3	100	400
Jupiter	W. W. Crowder	Jupiter, N. C.	11	2	1	2	..	..	41	40	81	2	4	1,000	275
Liberty	L. W. Young	Candler, R. 4	4	3	5	12	2	..	29	45	74	..	3	1,000	250
Macedonia	H. J. Rymer	Alexander, R. 1	1	1	..	4	..	3	35	70	105	..	2	600	300
Morgan Hill	J. F. Cheek	Stocksville, N. C.	9	3	1	5	..	3	68	84	152	1	1	1,000	350
Mount Carmel	A. E. Sluder	Asheville, R. 4	1	1	1	2	..	..	40	48	88	1	1	800	400
Pleasant Hill	C. A. McHone	Asheville, R. 5	...	3	..	6	2	..	43	63	112	..	2	400	200
Reem's Creek	J. B. Bradley	Brankton, N. C.	3	2	..	2	..	..	19	10	29	..	3	300	150
Spring Mt.	S. W. Guffey	Fairview, N. C.	...	...	..	...	..	..	18	28	46	..	1	.....	....
S. Black Mountain	J. H. Denny	Black Mountain	...	...	..	10	..	2	13	34	47	..	1	3,000	300
Swannanoa	J. M. Lewis	Swannanoa, N. C.	...	4	..	2	0	2	17	29	46	..	2	1,000	300
White Rock	Thos. Morgan	Candler, R. 1	12	2	3	...	..	1	....	....	....	..	2	800	400
*New Salem	.....	.....	...	...	..	...	..	..	....	....	....	..	.....	.....	....
*Chestnut Grove	.....	.....	...	...	..	...	..	..	....	....	....	..	.....	.....	....
Totals	.....	.....	233	221	33	163	20	37	....	....	3894	22	.....	$104,050	....

*Not represented.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	POST OFFICES	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	No. Schools.	Vols. in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers Taken.	Mos. Kept Open	Average Attendance.	No. Bap. From Schl.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Poor.	Building and Repairs.	Sunday School
Asheville First ...	C. S. Davis.....	Asheville	71	1642	1713	4	...	....	12	701	45..	$....	$.....	$636.64	$225.00	$675.00	$.
Asheville W. End.	J. B. Grice.....	Asheville	19	424	443	1	...	297	12	150	5..	.....	.....	72.00	.....	.....	..
Asheville Calvary.	J. L. Welch.....	Asheville, R. 3....	11	230	241	1	250	335	12	145	43..	.....	.....	72.00	.....	.....	..
Antioch	J. H. Woodward..	Democrat	17	80	97	2	...	90	12	45	2..	.....	.....	5.00	20.00	.....	..
Avery's Creek	J. B. Morgan.....	Arden	5	45	50	1	...	50	8	35	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..
Beaverdam	M. B. Scarborough	Asheville, R. 1....	5	68	73	1	...	90	12	36	3	17	.....	25.00	12.81	.....	.....
Bethel	M. A. Goforth....	Asheville, R. 4....	3	75	78	1	...	....	12	40	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Berea	J. A. Cordell.....	Swannanoa, R. 1..	6	50	56	1	...	45	12	30	1	.00	5.00	8.00	4.00	.....	.....
Brown's Chapel ..	H. E. Sawyer.....	Beech	9	93	102	1	...	324	12	51	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Biltmore	J. M. Brookshire..	Biltmore	7	150	157	1	200	....	12	60	....	.....	.....	66.50	10.00	.....	.....
Big Ivy	Thos. Case	Barnardsville	11	130	141	1	...	165	12	64	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Black Mountain ..	Marion Padgett ..	Rock View	8	55	63	1	...	167	9	36	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bent Creek	N. B. Creasman..	Biltmore, R. 3....	5	30	35	1	...	30	12	25	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cane Creek	J. R. Grant.....	Fairview	18	236	254	2	...	175	12	115	....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....
Elk Mountain	T. C. Tweed.....	Ashville, R. 5.....	7	85	92	1	...	107	12	64	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Flat Creek	M. B. Spivey.....	Stocksville	8	78	86	1	...	70	12	46	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gash's Creek	T. J. Ingle.....	Azalia	7	52	59	1	...	79	12	40	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hominy	J. E. Morgan.....	Candler	8	60	68	1	...	80	12	34	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Inanda	E. Brown	Candler	6	50	56	1	...	80	12	50	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jupiter	E. A. Roberts....	Jupiter	8	80	88	1	...	90	12	60	....	.....	.....	7.76	.....	.....	.....
Liberty	W. W. Greene....	Candler	12	31	43	1	28	104	12	32	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Macedonia	H. G. Rymer.....	Alexander, R. 1...	6	60	66	1	...	150	12	30	....	.....	.....	10.36	.....	.....	.....
Morgan Hill	Z. V. Foister.....	Stocksville	8	90	98	1	...	80	12	55	....	.....	.....	20.25	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Carmel	T. M. Rymer.....	Asheville, R. 4....	8	80	88	1	...	72	12	60	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill	R. W. Buckner....	Asheville, R. 5....	7	50	57	1	3	25	12	35	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reem's Creek	.....	.....	...	....	....	..	...	....	...	...	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
S. Black Mountain	L. B. Hudgins.....	Black Mountain ..	9	60	69	1	...	....	12	69	....	.....	.....	18.18	.....	.....	.....
Spring Mountain .	.....	.....	...	....	....	..	...	....	...	...	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Swannanoa	L. B. Buckner.....	Swannanoa	6	65	71	1	...	50	12	17	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
White Rock	Thos. Morgan	Candler	5	70	75	1	...	62	12	40	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Salem	.....	.....	...	....	....	..	...	....	...	...	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chestnut Grove ...	.....	.....	...	....	....	..	...	....	...	...	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total for objects	.....	.....	300	4119	4417	34	481	....	...	...	12	$19.17	$5.00	$33.00	$937.50	$255.00	$675.00

FINAAL TABLE

	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairs.	Incidentals.	For the Poor.	State Missions. Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	For Minutes.	Other Objects.	Old Minsters' Relief.	Sunday School Expenses.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Colportage.	Totals.
..✓.	$2563.80	$3401.61	$2923.05	$159.87	$531[illegible]2.18	$634.60	$.....	$ 98.48	$.....	$125.62	$.....	$.....	$1205.43	$100.00	$.....	$12006.69
..✓.	800.00	123.47	161.95	.....	40[illegible]9.16	13.47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1048.05
er.✓.	791.00	941.53	8.33	78.60	42[illegible]63.00	31.00	1.18	17.90	2.00	133.53	9.95	.....	.....	22.60	.....	2149.64
..✓.	60.00	.....	.....	.....	25[illegible]12.00	12.00	.....	.....	1.50	5.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	114.25
..✓.	50.00	.....	.....	.....	5[illegible]2.56	2.50	.....	.....	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	63.00
..✓.	200.00	15.25	20.75	.....	22[illegible]6.82	21.50	.....	10.08	1.50	26.54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	335.14
..✓.	40.00	1.75	.....	.....	..... [illegible]5.50	.....	.....	4.52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	73.17
..✓.	100.00	58.75	5.50	2.25	5[illegible].00	4.00	.....	5.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	188.70
..✓.	28.05	.....	.....	.....	6[illegible]50	2.50	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41.81
..✓.	300.00	30.00	.....	.....	9[illegible]85	9.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	383.76
..✓.	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.90
..✓.	50.00	346.70	4.00	50.00	20.[illegible]	5.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	19.19	.....	.....	.....	496.89
skip	30.00	.....	.....	.....	1.[illegible]50	2.50	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	3.50	.....	.....	.....	37.50
..✓.	325.00	30.00	40.00	.....	42[illegible]79	31.50	2.50	.....	2.40	6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	496.19
..✓.	45.00	.....	41.10	47.50	5[illegible]00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	22.30	16.00	.....	.....	.....	181.90
..✓.	63.22	164.50	1.55	5.35	3.[illegible]70	4.18	.....	7.93	1.70	.....	.....	6.60	.....	.....	.....	260.19
..✓.	60.00	.....	.....	5.00	10.[illegible]00	6.00	2.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	99.90
..✓.	89.18	32.35	10.25	2.00	5.0[illegible]25	10.00	.....	10.00	1.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	171.63
..✓.	.....	5.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.50	.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.50
..✓.	100.00	.....	10.00	50.00	.....[illegible]	.....	2.00	.....	1.35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	163.35
..✓.	40.00	47.50	.....	.....	5.0[illegible]00	2.50	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	29.23	.....	.....	.....	99.00
..✓.	64.30	.....	.....	5.00	2.00[illegible]0	2.00	1.00	7.00	1.45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	86.75
..✓.	70.64	.....	.....	.....	15.00[illegible]0	12.00	2.00	.....	2.35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	107.99
..✓.	75.00	48.05	10.00	.....	5.00[illegible]0	10.00	2.00	5.30	1.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	161.65
..✓.	40.00	1.50	.....	.....	1.00[illegible]0	1.00	2.00	4.55	.65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	57.70
..✓.	25.00	.....	1.25	5.00	2.00[illegible]0	1.00	.....	2.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39.25
..✓.	75.00	20.00	2.00	.....	8.00[illegible]0	2.50	2.00	.....	.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	112.00
..✓.	50.00	17.00	.....	.....	.....[illegible]0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.21	.....	.....	.....	72.71
..✓.	120.00	80.00	.....	.....	.....[illegible]0	1.57	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	203.07
....	$6540.21	$5365.56	$ 519.03	$363.57	$815.62[illegible]25	$823.42	$31.68	$189.46	$26.60	$297.96	$33.25	$78.73	$1205.43	$122.60	$10.00	$16869.37

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CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

Section 1.—This body shall be known as "The Buncombe County Baptist Association."

ARTICLE II.—CONSTITUENCY.

Section 1.—This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen asd sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe County, who shall be recommended by a letter from the Church containing the statistical report herein provided for; Provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled upon application, to representation in this Association.

Section 2.—Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of the twenty-one.

Section 3.—The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE III.

Section 1.—The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after reading of the church letters and the enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

Section 2.—The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mill's Parliamentary Practice.

Section 3.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association, and pay them out on the order of the same.

Section 4.—It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.—OBJECT.

Section 1.—It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension, Temperance, Orphanage, State Missions, Ministerial Education and Old Ministers' Relief Board.

ARTICLE V.—COMMITTEES.

Section 1.—At each Annual Meeting, the Moderator shall appoint the following Committees: Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State and Associated Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday School, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the Association, and such other Committees as the Assocation may direct.

Section 2.—It shall be the duties of the Committees to report in writing on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

ARTICLE VI.—EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Section 1.—This Associatios at each Annual Meeting shall appoint an Executive Board of five judicious and active brethren, including the Moderator and Clerk, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of North Carolina Baptist Convention in supplying the destitute within our bounds.

ARTICLE VII.—CHURCH LETTERS.

Section 1.—The Church letters shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of Church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor; clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their postoffices; number baptized; received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and number of deaths during the year; number and sex of members; time of prayer meetings; amount paid for pastor's salary; incidental expenses; home missions; and foreign missions, education, Sunday School and Bible missions; and if for any other object to be noted.

Report of Sunday School to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kinds of papers used in the Sunday Schools; name and postoffice of the Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.—BY-LAWS.

Section 1.—This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mill's "Manual of Parliamentary Practice."

ARTICLE IX.—MEETING.

Section 1.—This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.—PRINTING.

Setion 1.—Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI.—CORRESPONDENCE.

Section 1.—This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII.—FAITH.

Section 1.—This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform, and the only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspirations, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for information of others not acquainted with our tenets, for no other purpose.

Section 2.—As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

ARTICLE XIII.—AMENDMENT.

Section 1.—This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

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The next session will be held with Fairview Baptist Church, beginning Tuesday after second Sunday in August, 1912.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Bradley, W. T. ..... Stocksville, N. C.
Brown, A. E. ..... Asheville, N. C.
Brown, T. K. ..... Azalea, N. C.
Buchanan, E. ..... Black Mountain, N. C.
Cross, R. D. ..... Asheville, N. C.
Freeman, R. H. ..... Black Mountain, N. C.
Goforth, M. A. ..... Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Gosnold, G. W. ..... Asheville, N. C., R. 4
Hamrick, G. P. ..... Asheville, N. C.
Haynes, W. ..... Asheville, N. C., R. 1
Hooker, W. H. ..... Alexander, N. C.
Jackson, J. D. ..... Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Liner, J. R. ..... Biltmore, N. C.
Marr, W. W. ..... Biltmore, N. C.
McCurry, J. H. ..... Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Miller, C. A. ..... Fairview, N. C.
Morgan, S. J. ..... Stocksville, N. C.
Morgan, S. J., Jr. ..... Stocksville, N. C.
Morgan, E. J. ..... Candler, N. C.
Moore, S. F. ..... Fairview, N. C.
Phillips, N. B. ..... Fairview, N. C.
Plemmons, Jas. ..... Candler, N. C.
Proffitt, M. S. ..... Democrat, N. C.
Pickens, J. M. ..... Jupiter, N. C.
Sexton, Rev. ..... Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Sluder, M. M. ..... Asheville, N. C., R. 4
Redmon, G. R. ..... Biltmore, N. C.
Vines, W. M. ..... Asheville, N. C.
Whitaker, A. S. ..... Biltmore, N. C.

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J. M. Stoner. J. T. Justice. J. B. Grice.
J. P. Morgan. J. N. Morgan. R. D. Buckner. W. W. Marr.

CHAIRMEN OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES
FOR 1912

Foreign Missions ..... Bro. J. H. Brown
Home Missions ..... Eld. G. P. Hamrick
State Missions ..... Eld. R. D. Cross
Orphanage ..... Eld. E. J. Morgan
State of the Churches ..... Eld. W. T. Bradley
Sunday Schools ..... Bro. A. D. Stoner
Periodicals ..... Eld. W. Haynes
Education ..... Eld. N. B. Phillips
Temperance ..... Eld. S. J. Morgan, Jr.
B. Y. P. U. ..... Bro. Ed. Wright
Woman's Work ..... Mrs. J. W. Starnes
Devotional Exercises ..... Brethren J. J. Greenwood and A. I. Ingle

...PROCEEDINGS...

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The thirtieth annual session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with the Big Ivy Baptist Church, August 15, 16 and 17, 1911, beginning 10:30 a. m., with a song and prayer service of thirty minutes.

Eld. W. M. Vines being absent, the introductory sermon was preached by Eld. W. W. Marr, from the first chapter of Isaiah. The theme was: "Three Essential Visions" (1) A Vision of God; (2), A Vision of Self; (3), A Vision of the Work to be done.

The message was a special appeal to church members who are not fully awake to the needs of a dying world.

Prayer by Eld. John Ammons.

At 11:45 a. m., Bro. J. P. Morgan, the Moderator, announced the body in session and ready for the transaction of business; also appointed Bro. J. H. Tucker and Eld. W. W. Marr to read the letters from the churches. The following delegates were enrolled:

Asheville, First Church—Eld. W. M. Vines, Brethren J. M. Stoner, J. H. Tucker, F. M. Williams, J. T. Justice, R. B Sams, James Allen, J. N. Bradley and Mrs. C. S. Davis, Mrs. W. H. Westall, Miss A. E. Draughan, Miss Nellie Pendleton.

West End—Eld. G. P. Hamrick, Breth. J. B. Grice, C. J. Woody, G. V. Whitton.

Calvary—Brethren R. D. Cross, J. L. Welch.

Antioch—Brethren W. T. Bradley, J. H. Woodward, P. M. Loven, E. B. Goldsmith, J. P. Dillingham, T. J. Garrison, M. S. Proffitt, Chas. Sheppard, T. C. Morgan, S. H. Carter.

Avery's Creek—Brethren S. O. Ingram, Judson Johnson.

Beaverdam—Brethren W. Haynes, Robt. Greenwood, E. P. Stradley.

Berea—Bro. Jas. H. Cordell.

Bent Creek—Bro. G. W. Fulum.

Biltmore—Bro. W. W. Marr and Mrs. Feezor.

Big Ivy—Brethren K. C. Buckner, S. E. Hyatt, D. W. Shuford, A. I. Ingle, Jas. M. Greenwood, Sam R. Whitaker.

Black Mountain—Brethren B. B. Riddle, F. M. Haynes, Marian Padgett.

Brown's Chapel—Brethren W. T. Bradley, Jr., J. S. Rhea. T. D. Maney.

Elk Mountain—Brethren W. B. Ledford, D. L. Tate.

Fairview—Brethren N. B. Phillips, C. A. Miller, A. H. Pinkerton, J. C. Miller.

Flat Creek—Brethren J. K. Robinson, M. B. Spivey, Blair Roberts, W. S. Roberts, Curtis Williams, and Mrs. Julia Spivey, Miss Maud Williams, Miss Bertie Robinson.

Gash's Creek—Brethren W. W. Marr, V. C. Sorrells, Luther Hart, C. C. Koon.

Hominy—Not represented.

Inanda—Brethren G. W. Ballard, Wilburn Hendrix and Mrs. W. D. Justice.

Jupiter—Bro. Joseph Harris.

Liberty—Brethren J. H. Holcombe, W. W. Green, J. C. Robison.

Macedonia—J. D. Ledford, H. B. Miles.

Morgan Hill—Brethren John Ammons, S. J. Morgan, J. P. Morgan, J. N. Morgan, J. H. Fisher, L. G. Morgan, S. W. Llewellyn, S. J. Fisher.

Mount Carmel—Brethren D. E. Rymer, J. H. Miller, Jesse Rymer, and Miss Della Sluder, Miss Allie Rymer.

New Salem—Brethren W. W. Marr, J. M. Green, Britt Frady, B. J. Murray, Chas. Carland.

Pleasant Hill—Not represented.

Pleasant Grove—Brethren C. E. Dalton, J. H. Garren.

Reems Creek—Brethren J. A. Bradley, P. M. Buckner, H. M. Tomberlin.

South Black Mountain—Brethren J. H. Denney, L. B. Hudgins.

Spring Mountain—Brethren S. W. Guffey, W. V. Wilson, N. B. Phillips.

Swannanoa—Bro. J. M. Lewis.

White Rock—Eld. E. J. Morgan.

Chestnut Grove—Eld. S. M. Proffitt.

Reed's Chapel—Brethren J. J. Harris, John Fox.

Eld. B. B. Riddle and Bro. L. J. Ammons being appointed as tellers, the body proceeded to vote for a Moderator. No election resulted from the voting. On motion, the rules were then suspended, and Eld. W. W. Marr was elected by acclamation for the session.

On motion Eld. M. S. Proffitt was asked to represent Chestnut Grove Church, in the absence of delegates from said church.

Next, a letter from Reed's Chapel was read with request for membership in the Buncombe County Association. On motion the matter was referred to Brethren M. S. Proffitt, W. T. Bradley, Jr., and F. M. Williams as a committee, which committee reported as follows:

"We, your committee on the reception of Reed's Chapel, find that the church was duly constituted, and therefore recommend its reception as a member of this Association.

"F. M. WILLIAMS,
"For the Committee."

Brethren F. M. Williams and J. N. Bradley were then nominated for Clerk, and the body proceeded to ballot, resulting in the election of J. N. Bradley for the present session.

On motion, Bro. J. M. Stoner was re-elected Treasurer by acclamation, and Eld. W. T. Bradley re-elected Historian and Vice-Moderator in the same way.

Visitors were then given a welcome by the Moderator and Eld. E. R. Harris from the French Broad Association, and Eld. B. B. Riddle from the Yancey County Association, responded, both with suitable remarks.

On motion, the Moderator appointed Brethren W. T. Bradley and J. H. Tucker as committee on Order of Business.

At 1:00 p. m., the body adjourned one hour for dinner.

Benediction by Eld. G. P. Hamrick.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

At 2:00 p. m., the delegates reassembled.

Song: "Bringing in the Sheaves."

Prayer by Eld. R. D. Cross.

The Moderator called the body to order for the transaction of business.

The Committee on Order of Business submitted the following:

Tuesday—2:00 p. m.,Devotional Exercises.
2:15 p. m., Periodicals.
2:45 p. m., Laymen's Movement.
3:15 p. m., Sunday Schools.
Adjourn at pleasure.

Wednesday— 9:00 a. m., Devotional Exercises.
9:30 a. m., State Missions.
10:30 a. m., Home Missions.
11:30 a. m., Foreign Missions.
12:30 p. m., Dinner.
1:30 p. m., Woman's Work.
2:00 p. m., Orphanage.
3:00 p. m., Temperance.
3:45 p. m., State of the Churches.
4:15 p. m., Adjourn.

Thursday— 9:00 a. m, Devotional Exercises.
9:30 a. m., B. Y. P. U.
10:00 a. m., Education.
11:00 a. m., Historian's Report.
11:15 a. m., Miscellaneous.
11:30 a. m., Appointment of Committee on Resolutions.
12:00 m., Adjourn.

Report on Periodicals was called and read, as follows:

Report on Periodicals.

The press of today is a mighty factor in moulding public opinion and in bringing things to pass. Every powerful agency should be used for the most in the advancement of the Kingdom of God, and our Baptist people should lay new emphasis upon this. We believe the growth of the Baptist cause in North Carolina has been in proportion to the progress and power of our denominational papers. As they have increased in circulation and influence, the denomination has grown in members and enlarged its work.

Information must precede interest and interest must precede activity. The development of the various objects of the denomination demands a sympathetic interest which only comes from an intelligent grasp of these objects. To furnish this information and create this interest is the work of the denominational paper. Our Baptist Fathers seeing this, founded the Biblical Recorder, the organ of the Convention. The Recorder is now under control of the Convention perhaps as never before, and our people should all support it. We cannot keep abreast with our work without it. We also commend Charity and Children, the organ of our Orphanage. And further we would urge every Sunday School to take a club of this paper. The Foreign Mission Journal, The Home Field and the literature of our Sunday School Board should be liberally supported. Respectfully submitted,

J. B. GRICE.

A motion was carried whereby the discussion on Perioidcals should be confined to the Biblical Recorder only.

After remarks by Brethren J. B. Grice and A. L. Betts, representative of the Recorder, the report was adopted.

Next came the report on the Laymen's Movement. In the absence of a regularly prepared report, Bro. J. H. Tucker gave a short, but concise history of this movement; and in a forceful appeal made it quite plain that this is the one way to reach and Christianize the many people who cannot be reached otherwise. He further showed how the movement had been enthusiastically endorsed by the S. B. C., also by the Baptist State Convention; and urged that we as an Association be not slow in pushing the work to a more substantial upbuilding of Christ's Kingdom here in the world.

On motion, a committee, composed of the following brethren, J. M. Stoner, J. B. Grice and J. L. Welch, was ordered appointed to report as early as possible the effectiveness of the work.

Following is the report on Sunday Schools as read by Bro. J. H. Tucker:

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

The State Sunday School work is hopeful. In North Carolina we have reported 1,915 churches and nearly 1,906 Sunday Schools. Every church should have its Sunday School. Its work is Bible work—missionary work, God's work. It is extending the Kingdom by study and training. About 175,000 scholars are recorded in our Sunday Schools. Every church in this Association should have its school with a membership at least as large as the church membership.

The training of officers and teachers is the most important work before us. Our Sunday School Board has provided a normal manual that should be studied in every school; 1,000 teachers will enroll for this study this year. May we not hope the officers and teachers of our Association will organize each Sunday School in it and prepare to well do the great work committed to them? We should also organize a campaign for teachers' training and press this work for the coming year. We should have a Sunday School Committee to press this work in our Association. Your Committee urge the Sunday Schools to adopt the platform published by our State Board as their guide for the coming year, as follows:

1. *Organize.*—(1) Co-operate with the policies of our Sunday School Board. (2) Be in harmony with plans adopted annually at our State Convention. (3) Plan associational conventions with annual meetings. (4) Organize your local school after the plan of a "Standard of Excellence for Baptist Sunday Schools." (5) Organize many or all the Adult Classes.

2. *Enlarge.*—(1) Look up your absentees. Stop the leaks. (2) Canvass your territory for new schools—invite everybody. (3) Organize a Sunday School in every church and at such mission stations as need them.

3. *Improve.*—(1) Make your building up-to-date—beautify your church grounds. (2) Get necessary equipment—suitable seats, maps, charts, blackboards, etc. (3) Get an adequate supply of literature for all classes and grades. (4) See that your music is all that it ought to be.

4. *Train.*—(1) Hold institutes for the training of your officers and teachers. (2) Get good books on Sunday School subjects for your officers and teachers. (3) Form a Normal Class for increased efficiency.

5. *Inspirit.*—(1) Create and foster a strong school spirit. Get your scholars to love the Sunday School. (2) Be reverential and prayerful during every meeting. (3) Systematize and develop the giving for the Lord's work. (4) Plan definitely for soul-winning in the Sunday School.
Raleigh, N. C.

This report was ably discussed by Brethren G. E. Lineberry and W. R. Bradshaw, then adopted.

The Moderator invited visiting brethren to seats with the body; the following responded: Bro. W. R. Bradshaw, State Secretary, Bro. G. E. Lineberry, from the Central Association, traveling in the interest of high schools and colleges, and Bro. F. F. Brown from Louisville, Ky.

Adjourned to meet at 9:00 a. m., Wednesday.

Benediction by Eld. G. P. Hamrick.

WEDNESDAY.

9:00 a. m., Bro. F. F. Brown conducted devotional exercises for 30 minutes.

Eld. W. M. Vines' father, from Tennessee, was given a welcome to our body.

9:30 a. m., the Moderator announced the body in session for the transaction of business.

The following committee was named:

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher—Rev. C. A. Miller, Rev. W. Haynes, Brethren T. J. Ingle and J. J. Greenwood.

On motion, Bro. Bradshaw delivered the address on State Missions before the reading of the report. After further remarks by Eld. G. P. Hamrick, the report was read and adopted, as follows:

State Missions.

For seventy-nine years our Baptist State Mission Board has been doing effective work in the destitute portions of our State. But never was the need greater nor the Board, with Bro. Johnson at the helm, doing better work than today.

More than 148 preachers are devoting their time and energies, trying to give the Gospel to all who need its truths.

Many are brought to Christ through their efforts every year.

Material progress is being made all over the State. Our farming interests, our commercial, manufacturing, banking and educational interests all are looking up.

We should see that our spiritual cause keep pace with other things.

The Baptist cause seems to be in the forefront. With more than 225,000 white Baptists to help, we should, for the protection of our own interests and the interest of our families and neighbors, do our utmost to give the Gospel to all the people.

As patriotic citizens, we should leave nothing undone that would make our State a Christian State—a Baptist State. With less than 25 cents for each member, we can raise the $50,000 asked for this year for State Missions. We ought to double it.

How can we do this? By having a system. Let each individual have his plan and stand by it.

G. P. HAMRICK.

Next came the report on Home Missions, read by Bro. R. B. Sams. Bro. F. F. Brown made the greatest speech we ever heard on this subject. He is young in the ministry, but the Spirit of God controls him.

Following is the report on Home Missions as adopted by the body:

Home Mission Report.

Home Missions is the philosophy of making real a Christian civilization in America. To accomplish its purposes is a matter of surpassing importance in any wisely conceived mission policy.

The Old Testament prophets whose eyes kindled with a vision of the world turning to God, in furthering this divine purpose gave their whole lives to Home Missions. In the Great Commission our Lord gave commands that extend to the utmost limits of the earth, but for all time they also include for each disciple the limits of his own community. They radiate out from that and take in every place between it and the place furthest away.

In the prosecution of the purpose of our Lord for the redemption of the world, Peter and Philip and Stephen and James were as truly carrying out the divine plan of missions when they preached to the Jews as Paul was when he carried the glad news to the Gentiles. Foreign Missions succeeds only when it settles down and makes itself at home. Home Missions is missions making for itself a real home in the hearts of men, and in the economic, social and civic relationships of our own land. We must insist that the gospel of grace shall rise so high in the hearts of God's people that it shall overflow and enrich the arid fields of greed and injustice and crime and wickedness in our own country. If we do not, we surely can not think that our gospel is strong enough to conquer heathen nations. Moreover, how shall we reply if the heathen nations shall say to us, Physician, heal thyself?

Out of 92,000,000 population in America only about 20,000,000 are members of evangelical denominations. About 12,000,000 belong to the Catholics, but their faith is so foreign to the genius of American institutions and so obscures the teachings of the Saviour in its idolatrous dogmas of saint worship and papal infallibility that we must regard this religious body as a spiritual liability rather than an asset.

The present growth of the South in material prosperity is marvelous. Our vast material resources are being developed with an almost greedy haste. The enormous property losses of the Civil War have been retrieved and this section now has more wealth than the entire nation had when the war began.

Shall this material prosperity be a curse or a blessing to the South? The Christian people of the South hold the answer. If our religion is virile enough to consecrate this wealth to spiritual and moral ends, it will be a blessing. But if not—if the prosperity of our people is devoted to selfish luxury and pleasure—it will become a curse to the people and the nation. We stamp the name of God on our minted coin, but only as that name is engraved on the living hearts of men will it avail for the nation, or for a lost soul. The greatest single threat to the power of religion in the South today is the Mammon of unconsecrated wealth.

The Home Mission Board conducts many departments of activity for saving the people and preparing them for lives of service. It has about forty-five workers among the foreigners, twenty-eight mountain mission schools with 127 teachers and 4,500 students, eighteen trained evangelists who last year baptized about 3,000 converts, thirty-five negro

missionary evangelists working effectively among the Southern negroes, thirty-four missionaries who supply fifty-six churches and mission stations in Cuba, five missionaries and four helpers doing a successful work in the Canal Zone, a church building department which aided in building 289 churches last year, and twenty missionaries among the Indians in Oklahoma.

Besides the above, the Home Board participates co-operatively (principally with State Mission Boards), in a number of States in maintaining about 1,100 missionary pastors. This co-operative mission work is in line with the Convention's instructions to the Board to form the closest possible relationsship with the existing agencies of the denomination in the various States.

To the end that our Board may enlarge its activities and do for the denomination a work worthy of so great a Christian body and commensurate with the present urgent needs, your committee pleads for regular and large collections for Home Missions in the churches. Our Board could wisely expend a million dollars a year for it. It ought to do it, if we can only bring our churches to make a liberal response to its needs. Surely Southern Baptists must raise the $400,000 asked, and our own State its apportionment of $.....

Your committee recommends:

1. That prayer be made in the churches for Home Missions, that God may open our eyes to see and our purses to use the rich opportunities to establish our country on the everlasting Rock of Ages.

2. That regular collections throughout the year be insisted on, instead of waiting, as so many do, to the end of the year to give to this cause.

3. That this body provide for apportioning among the churches the amount our Association is asked to raise.

4. That our pastors be requested to make an earnest effort at least once during the year to preach a special sermon on Home Missions, and the magnitude and importance of the problems involved.

5. That a club of subscribers be raised in each church for the Home Field, the unusually attractive and illuminating monthly magazine of the Home Board.

6. That churches and pastors be encouraged to make a large use of the Home Board's informing tracts and sample copies of The Home Field, both of which are free for the asking.

The address of the Home Mission Board is, Austell Building, Atlanta, Georgia.

On motion, the taking of pledges was deferred till after discussion of next report, viz., Foreign Missions, which was read and ably discussed by Dr. W. M. Vines, after which being adopted, as follows:

Report on Foreign Missions.

The evangelization of the world is the supreme consummation for which every other Christian purpose exists. It is the only adequate object for so amazing a life and death as that of Jesus Christ. It is the only result that will give Christ to see the travail of his soul and be satisfied. The greatest and grandest enterprise launched since the dawn of creation was the Foreign Mission Movement. This enterprise was inaugurated nineteen centuries ago, when our Lord Jesus Christ from the summit of a mountain in Galilee gave His disciples the "Great Commission." Every Christian is logically and essentially a believer in For-

eign Missions. For a Christian to refuse to enlist himself in the Foreign Mission Movement is to disobey the plain command of his divine Lord. However, there are thousands of Christians who fail to respond to the appeal of Foreign Missions because they are ignorant of its real origin, importance, dignity and grandeur. It has been truly said that we can no more accept Christianity and reject missions than we can breathe the pure air without taking oxygen into the lungs. We can be Christians or non-Christians, but we cannot as Christians choose between missionary and non-missionary living. We sometimes hear of anti-Mission Baptists. The very term is a self contradiction. Imagine a disciple of Christ saying, "I believe in Christianity, but am opposed to its extension." Such a creature would be an ecclesiastical paradox, having no likeness to anything in the heavens above or the earth beneath, or the waters under the earth.

In no previous year of the Christian era can we so appropriately quote the words of our Lord, "Behold I say unto you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields for they are white to harvest." Truly our "God is marching on."

The Foreign Mission Board is in the glorious work of world evangelization. It is appointed by Southern Baptists for this stupendous task. Splendid opportunities are before us. China, with 440,000,000 of people, is passing through a marvelous transformation. Now is the time to give these millions the Gospel. Japan is leading the Orient. Shall we lead Japan to Christ? Mohammedanism threatens to submerge Africa. Shall we turn back the tide by the power of the Gospel? South America, Mexico and Italy are sick and tired of Romanism; they are ready to receive the message which we have to give. Vast open doors which we have not yet been able to enter lie befor us.

W have sent out 273 missionaries—thirty of them sent out last year —and they have gathered around them 531 native helpers, and are training hundreds of others. The missionaries reported 3,618 baptisms last year and will soon report tens of thousands of converts each year, if the present rapid growth continues. There are seven women's training schools with 140 students and nine theological training schools with 212 students. There are fifteen medical missionaries treating many thousands of patients and opening the way to the hearts and the homes of millions of people. We have seven hospitals and twelve dispensaries in which the missionaries assisted by five missionary nurses and many native helpers treated 40,716 patients. The printing plants are sending out the Bible and millions of pages of religious literature in the languages of the people.

The work has grown so rapidly that it cost last year far more than our people were willing to give. If we meet the actual necessities of the missions now, we must greatly enlarge our offering. The total receipts for last year were $510,008.97, a small gain over the year before. An accumulated debt of $89,600 now rests upon the work. This should be paid off this year. To do so and maintain the work as it now is, will require at least $600,000. Will the churches give it? It is a condition that calls for greatly enlarged giving but it is absolutely imperative unless our people are willing to let this great cause suffer. Let us raise this amount and even more that we may make an advance in the work.

We recommend: 1. That all our people help; by sympathy and prayer; by subscribing for and reading the Foreign Mission Journal; by distributing tracts which can be had for the asking; by self-denying sacrifice by all, and by liberal gifts from the wealthy; by sending in their

gifts now and not waiting for the season of pressure in March and April. 2. That we solemnly pledge ourselves to do all in our power to increase the amount of our contributions at least 10 per cent., which has been asked of our Association this year.

W. M. VINES.

On motion, all funds for both State and Home Missions be sent to Bro. J. M. Stoner, Treasurer.

Again the Moderator called for visiting brethren and Bro. A. Johnson, of the Thomasville Orphanage, responded.

Adjourned at 12:45 p. m.

Benediction by Dr. W. M. Vines.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

At 2 p. m., reassembled. Prayer and song service of 15 minutes.

The Moderator calling the body to order for business, a motion was passed specially emphasizing the fact that Tuesday afternoon of each succeeding session of the Association be given to the Woman's Missionary Union.

Next came the report on Woman's Work, as read by Bro. F. F. Brown, discussed by Brethren F. F. Brown and R. D. Crosset. Adopted, as follows:

Report of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Buncombe County Association.

We have had reports from nine Woman's Missionary Societies and three Young Woman's Auxiliaries, three Sunbeam Societies and one Royal Ambassadors during the Associational year. The Associational Committee has not been able to carry out the plans proposed, on account of sickness in the families of the committee.

The Central Committee of the Woman's Missionary Union of the State divided the State into five divisions. Each district is expected to hold a Missionary Institute, excepting the one in which the Convention meets. The Asheville Division is composed of the eleven Associations west of the Blue Ridge.

The Missionary Institute of the Asheville Division met at Calvary, West Asheville, the 27th and 28th of June. The Institute was a success. There were 75 delegates. Five Associations were represented. The meetings were spiritual and educational. We are anxious that every Church in the Buncombe Association be represented when we meet next June. Mrs. W. H. Woodall is superintendent of the Institute.

It is the earnest desire and prayer of the Executive Committee that the Union may, in the near future, put a missionary in this Association to work up the missionary spirit in the churches.

The following report will show the amounts contributed by the Woman's Missionary Society for the year 1910-1911:

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Home Missions	$ 462.78
Foreign Missions	818.52
State Missions	74.36
Total	$1,355.68

YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Home Missions	$192.58
Foreign Missions	156.71
State Missions	59.81
Sunday School Missions	7.00
	$416.10

Total amount of all the work reported by the W. M. S. and the Y. W. A., $1,771.78.

MISS E. A. DRAUGHAN,
President.
MRS. MARY J. STARNES,
Secretary-Treasurer.

A motion was carried empowering the Executive Committee to apportion the amounts, to be given to the different objects, for those churches that did not pledge anything.

Report on the Orphanage was then called and read by Bro. F. M. Williams, and after discussion by Brethren A. Johnson, J. L. Welch, and R. D. Cross, was adopted, as follows:

ORPHANAGE.

Our Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, N. C., was established in 1885. During the twenty-six years of its existence it has had under its fostering care about 1,200 children. There are now in the Orphanage about 385 children. Of that number 17 are from our own Buncombe County Association. Cost per capita per month, $7.81. Our minutes show amount contributed for the support of the Orphanage by the Association last year, $1,251.68. This amount is $341.68 less than amount necessary to support our 17 children.

Twelve of our churches reported nothing, by Church or Sunday School, last year for the support of the Orphanage; $2.38 per month for each of these churches would have made up the $341.68 deficiency.

One church contributed $774.47. Other churches made good contributions. Our western part of the State has more children in the Orphanage than the eastern part, and contributes less to its support. We beg our brethren who represent churches doing little or nothing for the support of this heaven-born institution, to try to get their churches or Sunday schools to take regular monthly collections next year. Ask your Sunday schools to subscribe to "Charity and Children," which you can get in clubs of ten or more at 60c per copy. It now has a circulation of 15,000.

Bro. Archibald Johnston is th eefficient editor. We are satisfied if you can get your people to read "Charity and Children" they will become interested in the Orphanage, and if interested, they will contribute to its support. We recommend the churches to send special contributions for the Christmas holidays to make the hearts of these fatherless and motherless little ones glad. And don't forget to send a large Thanksgiving offering.

"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this: To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep himself unspotted from the world." James 1:27.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. WILLIAMS,
Chairman Committee.

A motion was carried appointing the following Brethren, J. M. Stoner, J. L. Welch, R. D. Cross, J. J. Harris and T. J. Ingle, as a committee to investigate the question of building a home at Thomasville, N. C., known as the Buncombe County Memorial Building. This committee recommended the following:

1. That a standing committee of three, viz., Brethren J. H. Tucker, J. L. Wlech and E. P. Stradley, as appointed by the Moderator, have the general supervision of the work.

2. That Bro. J. L. Welch be asked to continue his work of canvassing the various churches.

3. That a committee of one be appointed in each church and that he and the pastor co-operate in creating a sentiment in favor of this matter.

4. That the churches be requested to have a rally day with competent speakers and endeavor to induce the churches to assume the obligation of contributing $1.00 per member.

J. M. STONER,
Chairman Committee.

The next report was on Temperance. Read and discussed by Bro. W. T. Bradley, also discussed by Bro. E. J. Morgan. The report follows as adopted:

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

"Look not upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth its color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." Prov. 23:31-32.

"And whosoever is overcome thereby is not wise."

The sale and use of strong drink fills our penitentiaries, insane asylums, works men on the chain gangs, wrecks many homes, leaves orphans to the mercies of the world, fills our cemeteries with thousands every year, and finally destroys both soul and body in hell.

Your committee is pleased to report that Temperance is in the forward march to victory. Be that far in the future or soon to come, it is surely coming. Many of the present generation will live to see it.

Now since we have state-wide prohibition, let us see to it that we elect to office Temperance men, those who will not only make rigid Temperance laws, but who will have these laws enforced.

W. T. BRADLEY.

The report on the State of the Churches was then called and read by Bro. J. M. Stoner. The following brethren discussed the report: G. P. Hamrick, J. P. Morgan, M. S. Proffitt, R. D. Cross and E. J. Morgan. It follows as adopted by the body:

STATE OF CHURCHES.

Our churches as best we can observe are not in as flourishing a condition spiritually and financially as we would love to report. One of the great needs among the churches of the Association is more individual, consecrated members to do the work in the church, so necessary to its growth in the salvation of souls and in raising money to defray the financial demands.

Your committee has been informed by more than one pastor that the destitution of leaders in their churches upon whom they can reasonably expect to rely for aid in all church work is simply deplorable. More consecrated business methods, more prayer, more co-operation with pastors, more willingness to take a loving part in all our church work will bring about a desired reformation.

J. M. STONER.

On motion, Bro. R. D. Cross was asked to submit resolutions to the Association on the question of re-establishing Fifth Sunday meetings. The report as follows was adopted:

Resolutions on the State of the Churches.

We uneslfishly, earnestly and lovingly recommend to the churches of the Buncombe County Association the following:

1. That the pastors and leading members seek to co-operate in forming fields of contiguous churches, so that God-called and prepared men may become real shepherds or pastors, and not only supplies; so that because of nearness they may meet the real needs of the churches.

2. That in co-operation with the State Mission Board and the Laymen's Movement, the Executive Board of the Association hold a series of missionary institutes at all the strategic centers, or all the churches where invited, at some time this year, at which meetings strong, well-prepared speakers may inform, enthuse and move the people.

3. That we organize one Fifth Sunday Meeting embracing the whole Association, beginning on Friday a. m., and lasting through Sunday. In these meetings one session each year shall be given to Sunday school work, and the other three meetings be given to the great doctrines and missionary subjects; and that all the pastors and leading laymen be expected to attend, and put their best into them.

4. That we employ a man for all his time at a salary, to give his entire time to mission or evangelistic work in our bounds; that we co-operate, if possible, with the State Mission Board, and that we raise in our churches for Associational Missions enough money to supplement balance of salary which cannot be had on the field or obtained from the State Board; and that a meeting of the Executive Board be held on Saturday of each Fifth Sunday Meeting, and then have a report from the evangelist; and that time for discussion of Associational work be given on Saturday.

R. D. CROSS,
Committee.

Next came the report on Time, Place and Annual Sermon, as follows:

Time, Tuesday after second Sunday in August, 1912, at 10:30 a. m.

Place, Fairview Baptist Church.

Introductory Sermon, Eld. G. P. Hamrick.

Respectfully submitted,

W. HAYNES,
For Committee.

Adjourned to 9 a. m., Thursday.

THURSDAY MORNING.

9:00, Devotional exercises conducted by Eld. G. P. Hamrick.

9:30, The body was called to order by the Moderator.

The first report of the morning was that of the B. Y. P. U. After discussion by Brethren J. N. Bradley, G. V. Whitton, G. P. Hamrick, W. Haynes and R. D. Cross, the report follows, as adopted:

Baptist Young People's Union.

The little interest manifested in this organization by the churches of this Association convinces your committee that its aims and possibilities

are not well understood by our pastors and church leaders. These aims are not the same as our Sunday school. The Sunday school is the agency of a church for teaching the Word of God. The B. Y. P. U. is the agency of a church in training for service, and in making a higher order of church members. The Sunday school emphasizes the teaching function of the church as pertains to the Word of God. The B. Y. P. U. emphasizes God's plan for Christian culture in doctrine, character and service. The weakness of our churches lies mostly in the large mass of untrained members. There will be constantly added new members from among the young people, and unless they are indoctrinated and trained, they will add responsibility rather than strength. The demand for trained workers is greater than ever in the history of the world, and the need for such workers will increase rather than decrease.

Those who are to be the leaders in church activities in the future are now our young members, and if they are ever trained, they must be trained while they are young. We cannot shut our eyes to the fact that it is our business to train these. We have neglected too long the teaching part of our Lord's great commission. The B. Y. P. U. can be made a most efficient means of training our young members. Pastors upon you devolves the responsibility of providing and planning for this work, and the pastor who is unwilling to put forth the effort to train workers for his church is unworthy of the high and sacred office.

Our Sunday-School Board, of Nashville, Tenn., publishes a B. Y. P. U. Quarterly, which is of invaluable service in this training in doctrine, character and service of our young members. It is cheap in price, but the principal thing about this quarterly is that it is safe, sane and sound. We commend it to all our churches, and urge that steps be taken to organize B. Y. P. U.'s.

It may not always be convenient in the country for them to meet at the church, but in every community there are homes which are open to services of this kind. Let us see if we cannot make a better showing next year.

Respectfully submitted,

G. D. CARTER,
Committee.

Next came the report on Education as read by Bro. R. D. Cross, and discussed by Brethren R. D. Cross, J. N. Morgan, G. P. Hamrick, and John Ammons. The report was adopted as follows:

EDUCATION.

True education which means the development of the whole being, body, mind and soul, has its value in all the spheres of life.

It has its economic value both to the individual and state, since educated men are worth to the State $1,000 per year, and uneducated $450; so, if two of these work forty years, the one is worth $40,000, and the other $18,000, or the educated one is worth $22,000 more than the uneducated.

It has its social value in the home and community and State, for it expands and enriches the life by enlarging the view of the world.

It has its value in service and position of honor, for, while less than 1 per cent. of our youths have gone to college, this 1 per cent. has produced 30 per cent. of our national representatives; 40 per cent. senators; 50 per cent. presidents and cabinet officers, and about all the Supreme Court judges.

But for us, the chief value is education in relation to the Kingdom of God. By this we mean Christian education, where the unselfish is developed, and all the powers devoted to the service of God. To obtain this, we should rally to all of our schools. Public schools should be made efficient, and should be patronized, for many of our people will never attend any others.

Our secondary Christian schools should be cherished, improved and endowed, for these are to furnish many of our public school teachers, and prepare many of our boys and girls for life, who will go back and become leaders in our churches. Our colleges, Wake Forest and Meredith, should receive our boys and girls to make of them well developed men and women to become intellectual leaders in the Church and State. Most of our ministerial students get their literary training at Wake Forest, where last year 62 received aid from the Educational Board. Many new applications are coming in for another year.

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Training School should have our moral and financial support, where is given theological training necessary for spiritual leadership.

Of all the people who cannot afford to neglect education, both general and special, it is the Baptists, because of their democratic form of church government, where the people are all equal in voice.

It takes a higher degree of intelligence and spirituality for Baptists to succeed than any others, for among others the educated leaders decide matters.

We believe that aid should be given to all our young men called of God to the ministry, in academies, colleges and seminaries.

R. D. CROSS.

Just here the Moderator recognized Bro. Lewis Gentry, of the Haywood County Association, who responded with some striking remarks.

Historian's report came next, read by Bro. W. T. Bradley, discussed by Brethren J. P. Morgan, W. Haynes, W. T. Bradley and G. P. Hamrick, the latter confining his remarks especially to the death of two of our most beloved brethren, Eld. S. C. Owen and Eld. W. B. Creasman. Following is the report:

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

We have had since our last Association the following changes:

Reeds Chapel organized, W. W. Marr, pastor. Brother Marr is also pastor of Gash's Creek.

R. D. Cross is pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, West Asheville.

J. A. Bradley, pastor at Jupiter, Bro. Ben Riddle, pastor of Big Ivy. G. P. Hamrick has been called to Liberty Baptist Church; J. H. Arington is pastor of Pleasant Hill, Elk Mountain and Macedonia. J. A. Bradley has been called to Reems Creek Church. Elders John Ammons and S. J. Morgan have been called as pastors to Morgan Hill. Elder J. R. Liner is pastor of Avery's Creek, Bent Creek and Inanda, these churches being grouped together making a field. Elder J. R. Freeman is pastor at Swannanoa, Black Mountain and North Fork. Bro. M. S. Proffitt is preaching at Chestnut Grove.

There are thirty churches represented in this Association this year and the letters show that there have been 296 baptisms during the past year, the largest number that we have had in several years.

Dr. W. M. Vines has resigned the care of First Church, Asheville, and is to take charge of St. Joseph Baptist Church, Mo., the first of Sep-

tember, and we must say that we are all sorry that Dr. Vines is so soon to leave us.

We are pained to chronicle the deaths of Elders S. C. Owen, one of our aged and efficient pastors, and W. B. Creasman, who was well prepared for the ministry; but God never makes any mistakes. He doeth all things well.

W. T. BRADLEY.

On motion, Bro. G. P. Hamrick was appointed to write obituaries of Brethren S. C. Owen and W. B. Creasman. These obituaries are omitted from the fact that Bro. Hamrick has been absent in protracted meetings since the meeting of the Association.

The Layman's Movement report having been deferred from the first day's session, was now taken up, read and discussed by Brother J. M. Stoner, after which it was adopted, as follows:

LAYMAN'S MOVEMENT.

We recognize the great importance of an organized Layman's work in the raising of funds to send the Gospel to those who have it not and in the salvation of the lost. Therefore we recommend and urge the pastors of every church in the Association to take this matter up with their churches as soon as possible after returning to their churches, and select or appoint a suitable layman in every church to get in touch with the men of their church and see to it that they are enlisted in this forward movement for the evangelization of the world and report at our next Association the interest and progress made by the laymen in their churches.

Literature and information on this subject can be had by addressing Dr. F. P. Hobgood, Oxford, N. C.

J. B. GRICE,
JOHN WELCH,
J. M. STONER.

Just here Bro. J. P. Morgan turned over to the Moderator and to the Buncombe County Baptist Association, the gavel which had been given over to him eleven years ago by Bro. A. E. Brown. Notable to say, Bro. Morgan was just 72 years old on this closing day; whereupon, the body tendered to him a standing vote of thanks for his faithful duties of the past years.

On motion, Article 6 of the Constitution was set aside and seven men instead of five were appointed on the Executive Committee.

On motion, the Treasurer's report was adopted, as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

CASH RECEIVED AT THE PRESENT SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Foreign Missions	$ 37.55
Home Missions	28.82
State Missions	16.73
Sunday School Missions	7.10
Orphanage	19.44
Minutes	39.20
Total	$148.84

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. STONER,
Treasurer.

On motion, the usual vote of thanks was tendered by the delegates to the Big Ivy Church for their Christian hospitality during the whole of the session. Never had an association been more royally entertained.

The Clerk was given instructions to retain ten dollars of the minute fund for his services, and to have as many minutes as possible printed with remaining money.

The session was spiritual and harmonious all the way through.

At 11:45 a. m., Eld. G. P. Hamrick preached a short sermon from the words, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life."

Adjourned to time and place, 1912.

Benediction by Eld. John Ammons.

PLEDGES

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Totals.
Asheville, First	$1,532.52	$ 606.15	$1,094.98	$660.16	$3,893.81
Asheville, West End	29.15	60.00	.....	.....	89.15
Asheville, Calvary	77.38	60.00	.....	.....	137.38
Antioch	16.50	20.00	16.50	.....	53.00
Avery's Creek	2.20	2.20	2.20	.....	6.60
Beaverdam	44.00	33.00	33.00	.....	110.00
Bethel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Berea	28.60	14.30	.....	.....	42.90
Bent Creek	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	2.00
Biltmore	25.00	25.00	.....	.....	50.00
Big Ivy	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	40.00
Black Mountain	3.50	2.00	.....	.....	5.50
Elk Mountain	5.00	5.00	5.00	.....	15.00
Flat Creek	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	10.00
Fairview	34.10	77.00	21.13	.....	132.23
Gash's Creek	8.00	12.00	.....	.....	20.00
Hominy	11.00	11.00	11.00	2.50	35.50
Inanda	3.00	2.00	.....	.....	5.00
Jupiter	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	10.00
Liberty	3.02	6.00	.....	.....	9.02
Macedonia	5.00	5.00	5.00	.....	15.00
Morgan Hill	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	10.00
Mount Carmel	12.00	7.20	.....	.....	19.20
Pleasant Hill	1.10	1.10	1.10	2.20	5.50
Reeds Chapel	6.00	10.00	.....	.....	16.00
Reems Creek	2.60	2.60	.....	.....	5.20
South Black Mountain	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	10.00
Spring Mountain	3.00	10.00	2.00	.....	15.00
Swannanoa	2.00	1.00	.....	.....	3.00
New Salem	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	10.00
Pleasant Grove	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	4.00
Total for each object given	$1,892.67	$1,010.55	$1,201.91	$674.86	.....
Grand Total					$4,779.99

TABLE SHOWING WORK DONE THROUGH THE DIFFERENT SOCIETIES

Churches.	Presidents.	Repairs. Building and	Incidentals.	State Missions.	Foreign Home Missions.	Missions.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Poor.	No. of Members.	Totals.
Asheville First	W. M. S., Miss Hough	$.....	$.....	$.....	$290.08	$638.59	$.....	$ 2.50	$....	100	$ 931.17
P. O., Asheville, N. C.	Y. W. A., Miss Mamie Wright	.....	.....	59.81	207.64	187.56	.....	27.25	.....	60	482.26
	B. Y. P. U., Ed. Wright	.....	23.22	.....	.....	.....	.....	60.00	.....	75	83.22
West End	W. M. S., Mrs. G. W. Mattison	.....	.....	5.20	10.29	10.29	.....	.....	.....	18	25.78
P. O., Asheville, N. C.											
Calvary	W. M. S., Mrs. B. B. Jones	32.82	.....	10.00	28.18	5.00	.....	13.50	.....	...	56.68
P. O., Asheville, R. 3.	B. Y. P. U., Miss Myrtle Logan	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.32	...	9.32
Antioch	Sunbeams, Miss Ella Goldsmith										
P. O., Democrat, N. C.	W. M. S.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.10	.....	...	2.10
Beaverdam	W. M. S.	.....	.....	12.75	25.00	38.65	.....	.....	.....	...	76.40
P. O., Asheville, R. 1.											
Berea	W. M. S., Mary J. Alexander	.....	.....	3.00	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	...	33.00
P. O., Swannanoa, R. 1											
Biltmore	W. M. S., Sue Reed	64.00	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	66.00	5.00	.....	...	145.00
P. O., Biltmore, N. C.											
Fairview	W. M. S., Mrs. N. B. Phillips	.....	.....	20.00	10.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	...	40.00
P. O., Fairview, N. C.	B. Y. P. U., Mrs. J. L. Ashworth	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.50	.....	.....	.....	...	4.50
	Sunbeams, Mrs. P. O. Freeman	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....
South Black Mountain	W. M. S.	.....	.....	4.00	4.00	4.00	11.90	2.25	.....	...	26.15
P. O., Bl'k Mtn., N. C.											
Totals	.....	$96.82	$23.22	$114.76	$580.19	$913.59	$77.90	$112.60	$9.32	253	$1,915.58

Churches.	Clerks.	Postoffices.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Letters Granted.	Excluded.	Deaths.	Male Members.	Female Members.	Total Membership.	Ordained Ministers.	Sabbath Meeting.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity.
Asheville First	B. J. Durham	Asheville, N. C.	84	61	1	27	..	8	....	....	1,200	1	Every S	$ 85,000	1,800
Asheville W. End.	M. L. Revis	Asheville, N. C.	16	7	..	14	..	2	86	186	272	1	Every S	10,000	800
Asheville Calvary.	C. M. Lineberry	Asheville, R. 3	9	17	..	8	4	1	53	88	154	2	Every S	4,000	400
Antioch	A. A. Burrell	Democrat, N. C.	5	9	1	6	2	1	68	89	157	2	3	800	400
Avery's Creek	S. O. Ingram	Arden, N. C.	5	2	..	2	..	1	12	26	38	..	4	200	400
Beaverdam	E. P. Stradley	Asheville, R. 1	...	2	..	2	..	1	19	22	41	1	2, 4	1,000	250
Bent Creek	Mrs. Z. V. Greene	Biltmore, R. 3	1	6	..	7	11	..	9	19	28	..	2	500	250
Berea	J. A. Cordell	Swanannoa, R. 1	...	...	..	...	2	..	32	46	78	1	1, 3	1,800	400
Bethel	E. W. Sluder	Leicester, R. 1	...	...	..	1	3	..	24	36	60	2	4	500	300
Big Ivy	Jas. M. Greenwood	Barnardsville, N. C.	...	1	..	4	..	..	65	90	155	..	2	3,500	800
Biltmore	V. F. Stephens	Biltmore, N. C.	57	3	..	61	..	1	34	69	103	2	1, 3	6,000	500
Black Mountain	Ellis Burlison	Rock View, N. C.	8	3	4	5	3	..	38	55	93	..	4	8,000	300
Brown's Chapel	W. T. Bradley, Jr.	Beech, N. C.	7	2	..	...	..	..	27	40	67	..	2	800	300
Elk Mountain	C. P. Piercy	Asheville, R. 1	...	...	..	1	..	..	26	36	62	1	3	.....	.....
Fairview	R. A. Morgan	Fairview, N. C.	40	5	3	2	5	2	112	167	279	2	Every S	2,200	400
Flat Creek	M. B. Spivey	Stocksville, R. 1	14	2	..	1	1	2	62	92	154	..	1	1,000	400
Gash's Creek	R. C. Sales	Skyland, N. C.	25	2	3	11	..	1	24	46	70	..	2, 4	4,000	300
Inanda	James Justice	Biltmore, R. 3	18	9	3	15	1	1	25	44	69	2	1	1,200	300
Jupiter	W. W. Crowder	Alexander, R. 2	...	1	..	3	..	2	38	39	77	1	4	1,000	275
Liberty	L. W. Young	Candler, N. C.	...	2	..	1	..	..	29	47	76	..	3	1,000	250
Macedonia	Hugh Rymer	Alexander, R. 1	1	...	..	1	..	4	33	63	96	..	2	600	300
Morgan Hill	S. W. Llewellyn	Stocksville, R. 1	...	8	..	35	3	4	55	66	121	2	1	2,000	300
Mount Carmel	A. E. Sluder	Asheville, R. 4	5	2	..	...	..	2	41	51	92	1	1, 3	1,000	500
New Salem	M. L. Lance	Skyland, N. C.	4	15	2	...	..	2	21	43	64	..	1	400	200
Pleasant Grove	Eli Garren	Fairview, N. C.	7	1	..	...	..	1	15	22	37	..	1	.....	.....
Reed's Chapel	Theo. Davidson	Biltmore, N. C.	...	38	..	...	..	..	13	25	38	..	2	1,000	200
Reems Creek	W. J. Silver	Weaverville, N. C.	4	...	..	1	..	..	21	14	35	..	2	.....	.....
S. Black Mountain	J. H. Denny	Bl'k Mtn., N. C.	8	5	..	...	..	..	23	40	63	1	1, 3	3,000	400
Spring Mountain	J. B. Guffey	Fairview, N. C.	2	...	2	2	..	..	16	24	40	1	3	600	200
Swannanoa	J. H. Chatham	Swannanoa, N. C.	5	7	2	...	3	2	20	34	54	..	2	.....	.....
Totals	.....	.....	325	210	21	210	38	38	....	....	3,873	23	.....	$411,000	.....

Churches.	Superintendents.	Postoffices.	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	No. Schools.	Vols. in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers Taken.	Months Kept Open.	Average Attendance.	No. Bap. from Schl.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Poor.	Building and Repairs.
Asheville First	C. S. Davis	Asheville, N. C.	75	1690	1765	4	...	...	12	888	..	$....	$.....	$ 94.39	$613.24	$34.40	$ 87.33
Asheville W. End.	J. B. Grice	Asheville, N. C.	17	562	579	1	...	612	12	192	..	.....	.....	.....	93.60	.....	.....
Asheville Calvary	B. B. Jones	Asheville, N. C.	13	....	....	1	250	250	12	135	..	.....	.....	5.00	66.63	5.10	15.75
Antioch	E. B. Goldsmith	Democrat, N. C.	7	136	143	1	...	400	12	75	5	.....	.....	.....	2.50	.....	.....
Avery's Creek	.....	.....	...	...	....	...	...	....	...	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beaverdam	W. B. Scarborough	Asheville, R. 1	8	65	73	1	...	90	12	35	..	.....	10.00	26.09	14.00	.....	.....
Bent Creek	N. B. Creasman	Biltmore, R. 3	6	66	72	1	...	86	12	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Berea	J. A. Cordell	Swannanoa, R. 1	7	45	52	1	...	....	12	....	..	.....	5.00	10.00	7.00	.....	.....
Bethel	A. P. Rich	Asheville, R. 3	7	35	42	1	...	157	...	35	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Big Ivy	T. A. Case	Barnardsville	12	115	127	1	...	500	12	67	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Biltmore	J. M. Brookshire	Biltmore	8	88	96	1	...	106	12	75	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75.00
Black Mountain	Jas. Buchanan	Rock View	7	51	58	1	...	....	7	40	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brown's Chapel	E. R. Roberts	Beech	11	93	104	1	...	50	12	53	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elk Mountain	Welsey Lankford	Asheville, R. 5	6	....	....	1	...	...	...	68	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fairview	J. R. Grant	Fairview	18	275	293	2	...	180	12	150	25	.....	.....	.....	8.61	2.75	.....
Flat Creek	M. B. Spivey	Stocksville	8	84	92	1	...	64	12	48	11	.....	.....	.....	9.90	.....	.....
Gash's Creek	T. J. Ingle	Swannanoa	7	65	72	1	...	7	12	42	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54.75
Hominy	.....	.....	...	...	....	...	...	....	...	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Inanda	Miss Belle Whalen	Candler, R. 2	6	75	81	1	...	66	12	46	..	.....	.....	.....	5.91	.....	.....
Jupiter	E. A. Roberts	Alexander, R. 2	4	60	64	1	...	48	12	55	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Liberty	W. W. Green	Candler	10	37	47	1	28	185	12	32	..	.....	.....	.....	7.65	.....	.....
Macedonia	Hugh Rymer	Alexander	6	70	76	1	...	40	12	50	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morgan Hill	J. N. Morgan	Stocksville	8	55	63	1	...	80	12	50	..	.....	.....	.....	10.36	.....	.....
Mount Carmel	T. M. Rymer	Asheville, R. 4	8	95	103	2	...	150	12	70	..	.....	.....	.....	47.50	.....	.....
New Salem	R. Clayton	Arden	4	64	68	1	...	76	12	18	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove	.....	.....	...	....	....	...	...	....	...	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill	.....	.....	...	....	....	...	...	....	...	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reeds Chapel	J. H. Harris	Biltmore	3	76	79	1	...	84	12	43	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reems Creek	.....	.....	...	....	....	...	...	....	...	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
South Black Mtn.	L. B. Hudgins	Black Mountain	6	106	112	1	...	....	12	55	8	.....	.....	.....	17.24	.....	.....
Spring Mountain	W. H. Huntley	Fairview	6	40	46	1	...	28	12	30	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Swannanoa	L. B. Buchanan	Swannanoa	6	75	81	..	...	50	12	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	.....	.....	284	4104	4388	32	278	2469	295	2325	64	$....	$15.00	$135.48	$904.14	$42.25	$232.83

FINANCIAL TABLE

Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairs.	Incidentals.	For the Poor.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions	Orphanage.	For Minutes.	Other Objects.	Old Ministers' Relief.	Sunday School Expenses.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Colportage.	Totals.
$3000.00	$2700.00	$2312.90	$147.75	$491.24	$497.72	$472.66	$535.00	$ 26.60	$....	$412.12	$....	$.....	$500.00	$900.00	$....	$11995.99
800.00	18.71	114.75	22.53	60.08	26.50	26.50	.....	696.00	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1101.03
900.00	204.34	.....	.....	57.12	70.00	60.35	1.18	.....	2.00	26.26	.....	.....	100.00	10.00	.....	1431.25
60.00	.....	12.00	.....	15.00	15.00	15.00	.....	6.50	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	123.50
32.10	.....	.....	.....	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.00	.....	1.00	12.11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	52.81
200.00	38.75	32.38	.....	35.78	23.26	.....	.....	11.05	2.00	17.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	360.72
49.35	.....	.....	.....	2.15	.....	3.30	.....	2.59	1.00	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	67.39
100.00	.....	5.00	.....	5.00	14.50	6.00	.....	.....	.70	.....	.....	10.60	.....	.....	.....	141.10
40.00	.....	2.06	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.16	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49.22
60.00	87.50	.....	.....	4.00	3.50	3.00	.....	4.58	1.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	162.58
300.00	74.60	190.00	.....	16.00	15.00	21.00	.....	.....	.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	619.60
50.00	.....	.....	.....	2.00	2.00	3.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.67	.....	.....	.....	62.17
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75.00	.....	.....	.....	5.50	1.10	3.30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41.70	.....	.....	1.10	127.70
375.00	20.00	50.00	.....	50.00	9.21	21.00	.....	9.80	3.00	25.00	4.87	.....	.....	.....	.....	591.88
61.10	63.30	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	7.64	.....	1.20	15.78	.....	5.47	.....	5.00	.....	168.29
150.00	265.40	33.55	.....	11.00	7.00	7.00	2.00	12.13	.....	.....	.....	7.20	.....	.....	.....	494.88
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62.90	.....	.....	.....	1.00	1.00	3.50	.....	5.00	1.05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	87.93
60.00	25.00	4.00	25.00	.....	4.06	4.00	.....	6.00	1.00	.....	.....	12.00	.....	.....	.....	141.06
55.63	33.25	8.00	.....	5.50	3.30	2.75	1.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	109.53
60.00	.....	.....	4.00	.....	1.56	.....	.....	4.24	.85	.....	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	73.80
30.00	.....	.....	.....	15.00	6.00	10.00	2.00	.....	1.40	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	93.36
175.00	.....	12.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	10.00	2.20	.....	1.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	227.20
60.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	12.00	.....	.....	72.00
30.00	.....	.....	.....	2.00	2.00	2.00	.....	1.52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37.52
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25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	2.00	.....	2.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32.00
150.00	2.00	86.00	.....	2.50	2.50	2.50	1.00	.....	.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	246.50
50.00	25.00	.....	.....	10.00	2.00	3.00	.....	2.00	.25	.....	1.00	.....	6.00	.....	.....	99.00
50.00	16.00	.....	3.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	83.00
$7091.29	$4179.85	$2934.24	$208.28	$801.07	$739.41	$688.56	$554.12	$801.11	$23.95	$543.85	$5.87	$105.57	$642.25	$915.00	$1.10	$19576.21

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

SECTION 1.—This body shall be known as "The Buncombe County Baptist Association."

ARTICLE II.—CONSTITUENCY.

SECTION 1.—This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent from each Baptist Church in Buncombe County, who shall be recommended by a letter from the Church containing the statistical report herein provided for; Provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is situated so as to be more convenient, from natural causes, to belong to this body, shall be entitled upon application, to representation in this Association.

SECTION 2.—Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members in excess of the twenty-one.

SECTION 3.—The name of no delegate shall appear in the minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1.—The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All the officers shall be elected annually, immediately after reading of the church letters and the enrollment of delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the rest of the officers as the Association may direct.

SECTION 2.—The duties of the Moderator and Secretary shall be such as are prescribed for those officers in Mill's Parliamentary Practice.

SECTION 3.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to this Association, and pay them out on the order of the same.

SECTION 4.—It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep such an historical record as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE IV.—OBJECT.

SECTION 1.—It shall be the object of this Association to prosecute within its bounds, with the co-operation of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, the cause of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sunday Schools, Church Extension, Temperance, Orphanage, State Missions, Ministerial Education and Old Ministers' Relief Board.

ARTICLE V.—COMMITTEES.

SECTION 1.—At each Annual Meeting, the Moderator shall appoint the following Committees: Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State and Associated Missions, Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, State of the Churches, Temperance, Sunday School, Finance, Order of Business, Preaching and Time, Place and Annual Sermon of the Association, and such other Committees as the Association may direct.

SECTION 2.—It shall be the duties of the Committees to report in

writing on the subjects given them in charge while the Association is in session.

Article VI.—Executive Board.

Section 1.—This Association at each Annual Meeting shall appoint an Executive Board of five judicious and active brethren, including the Moderator and Clerk, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Mission Board of North Carolina Baptist Convention in supplying the destitute within our bounds.

Article VII.—Church Letters.

Section 1.—The Church letters shall give the following information, to-wit: Name of Church and date of its organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor; clerk and ordained ministers in membership, with their post offices; number baptized; received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and number of deaths during the year; number and sex of members; time of prayer meetings; amount paid for pastor's salary; incidental expenses; home missions; and foreign missions, education, Sunday School and Bible missions; and if for any other object to be noted.

Report of Sunday School to be as follows: Number enrolled and average attendance during the year; number and kinds of papers used in the Sunday Schools; name and postoffice of the Superintendent; number of scholars converted during the year; amount paid for the support of the school and other benevolent objects.

Article VIII.—By-Laws.

Section 1.—This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mill's "Manual of Parliamentary Practice."

Article IX.—Meeting.

Section 1.—This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article X.—Printing.

Section 1.—Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI.—Correspondence.

Section 1.—This Association shall carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII.—Faith.

Section 1.—This Association disclaims all human creeds or confessions of faith drawn up by uninspired men as a bond of union and communion, and declares that the Bible alone is its platform, and the only rule by which it will be governed; yet it is willing to exhibit to the world an abstract as an exponent of its doctrinal views, for the removal of false aspirations, which are unjustly thrown at us, and for information of others not acquainted with our tenets, for no other purpose.

Section 2.—As an abstract of faith, we endorse that published in the "Star Book," by Hiscox.

Article XIII.—Amendment.

Section 1.—This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

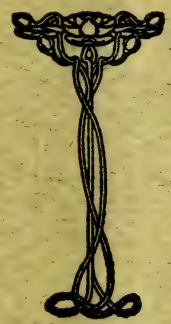
Minutes of the

Thirty-First Annual Session

OF THE

Buncombe County Baptist Association

of North Carolina



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W. W. MARR, Moderator.....Biltmore, N. C.
J. B. GRICE, Vice-Moderator.....Asheville, N. C.
E. B. STRADLEY, Clerk.....Asheville, N. C.
J. M. STONER, Treasurer.....Asheville, N. C.
W. T. BRADLEY, Historian.....Stocksville, N. C.

The next session will be held with Beaverdam Baptist Church, beginning Tuesday after second Sunday in August, 1913.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Rev. W. T. Bradley. Dr. Waller. Rev. G. P. Hamrick.
Dr. Brown. Rev. J. B. Grice. J. M. Stoner.
Rev. W. W. Marr. E. B. Stradley.

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES 1913

Foreign Missions.....Pastor Calvary
Home Missions.....Dr. Waller
State Missions.....Rev. G. P. Hamrick
Orphanage.....Rev. W. Haynes
State of the Churches.....R. B. Sams
Sunday Schools.....Rev. J. B. Grice
Periodicals.....Rev. W. W. Marr
Education.....W. H. Hipps
Temperance.....N. B. Phillips
B. Y. P. U.....J. Powell Tucker
Woman's Work.....J. W. Bradley

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Bradley, W. T.....Stocksville, N. C.
Bradley, J. A.....Jupiter, N. C.
Cross, R. D.....Asheville, N. C.
Freeman, H. R.....Black Mountain, N. C.
Goforth, M. A.....Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Gosnold, G. W.....Asheville, N. C., R. 4
Hamrick, G. P.....Asheville, N. C.
Haynes, W.....Asheville, N. C., R. 1
Hooker, W. H.....Alexander, N. C.
Jackson, J. D.....Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Jarvis, E. C.....Leicester, N. C.
Liner, J. R.....Biltmore, N. C.
Marr, W. W.....Biltmore, N. C.
McCurry, J. H.....Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Morgan, S. J.....Stocksville, N. C.
Morgan, S. J., Jr.....Biltmore, N. C., R. 3
Morgan, E. J.....Candler, N. C.
Moore, S. F.....Fairview, N. C.
Phillips, N. B.....Fairview, N. C.
Plemmons, Jas.....Candler, N. C.
Proffitt, M. S.....Democrat, N. C.
Pickens, J. M.....Jupiter, N. C.
Redmon, G. R.....Biltmore, N. C.
Sexton, Rev.....Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Sluder, M. M.....Asheville, N. C., R. 4
Waller, Calvin B.....Asheville, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

The thirty-first annual session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with the Fairview Baptist Church August 13-15, 1912. Called to order by Rev. W. W. Marr, Moderator, who conducted devotional exercises. Bro. E. L. Middleton led in prayer.

At 10:30 a. m., Rev. G. P. Hamrick preached the introductory sermon. Scripture reading, Matt. xvi:13-20; text, "Upon this rock I build my church," Matt. xvi:18. Divisions: Is there a Church? What is the Church? Has the Church doctrines? Has the Church ordinances? The powers of Hell cannot prevail against it—Heaven. A key given to each Christian. Use it.

The Moderator appointed E. B. Stradley Clerk P. T., and J. B. Grice and Horace Carter Reading Clerks.

Letters were read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Asheville, First Church—Rev. Calvin B. Waller, R. B. Sams, J. M. Stoner, F. M. Williams, J. T. Justice, G. D. Carter, E. B. Stradley, Mrs. J. T. Justice, Miss Ida Haynes and Miss Mae McFee.

Asheville, West End—Rev. G. P. Hamrick, Rev. J. B. Grice, B. G. Hayes, G. W. Matterson and wife.

Asheville, Calvary—Rev. R. D. Cross, Rev. A. E. Brown, J. L. Welch, B. B. Jones, H. A. Brown, A. H. Brewer.

Antioch—Rev. W. T. Bradley, J. C. Bradley, Horace Carter, E. B. Goldsmith.

Avery's Creek—S. O. Ingram.

Beaverdam—Rev. W. Haynes, W. B. Scarborough, Chas. Carter, Robt. Greenwood.

Bent Creek—Worley Jones.

Berea—J. H. Cordell.

Black Mountain—E. W. Haynes, Elias Burlison.

Big Ivy—J. R. McMahan.

Bethel—J. H. Goforth.

Biltmore—Rev. W. W. Marr, Mrs. J. P. Feezor, Mrs. T. J. Reed.

Chestnut Grove—A. J. Burlison, Chas. Ledford.

Elk Mountain—Rev. R. N. Branson, W. C. Jones, J. B. Gosnell, W. B. Langford.

Fairview—A. W. Morgan, A. H. Pinkerton, R. A. Morgan, C. W. McCracken, J. L. Ashworth, J. R. Grant, J. Ashworth, P. O. Merrill, J. H. McDonald, J. W. Freeman, S. J. Ashworth, A. F. Morgan and Rev. N. B. Phillips.

Flat Creek—M. B. Spivey and wife.

Gash's Creek—Hall Sales and C. C. Koon.

Hominy—M. H. Morgan, Miss Maggie Morgan, J. H. Morgan, C. C. Morgan.

Inanda—Jos. Justice.

Jupiter—E. A. Roberts, G. D. Edwards.

Liberty—J. H. Holcombe, W. W. Greene, W. H. Hite, W. J. Hipp.

Mountain View—A. P. Walker, Lennie Walker and Beulah Burnett.

Mt. Olive—N. A. Stewart, A. E. Randall.

Macedonia—J. G. Rymer, H. M. Buckner.

Mt. Carmel—L. D. Brookshire, Rev. M. M. Sluder, Miss Della Sluder and Miss Texie Brookshire.

Morgan Hill—Jas. N. Morgan, S. W. Lewellyn and Grace Lewellyn.

New Morgan Hill—Rev. E. J. Morgan and Wesley Ballard.

Pleasant Grove—Eli Garren, J. F. McBrayer.

Reed's Chapel—J. J. Harris and Jas. Cauble.

Swannanoa—J. G. McElrath and J. M. Lewis.

Spring Mountain—J. B. Guffey, I. B. Reed, W. V. Wilson.

South Black Mountain—H. R. Freeman, J. P. Welch, L. B. Hudgins and Mrs. P. M. Mashburn.

Reems Creek—W. J. Silvers.

Brown's Chapel—S. A. Bradley.

The Moderator announced the election of officers in order, and Bro. J. T. Justice placed the name of Rev. W. W. Marr, the present incumbent, in nomination. There being no further nominations, Rev. J. B. Grice was instructed to cast the entire vote of the Association for Bro. Marr as Moderator, and the Clerk declared him elected. Other officers elected by acclamation: Rev. J. B. Grice, Vice-Moderator; E. B. Stradley, Clerk; J. M. Stoner, Treasurer; Rev. W. T. Bradley, Historian.

On motion of Dr. A. E. Brown, last year's Order of Business is adopted as follows:

Tuesday—2:00 p. m., Devotional Exercises.
2:15 p. m., Periodicals.
2:45 p. m., Laymen's Movement.
3:15 p. m., Sunday Schools.

Wednesday— 9:00 a. m., Devotional Exercises.
9:30 a. m., State Missions.
10:30 a. m., Home Msisions.
11:30 a. m., Foreign Missions.
12:30 p. m., Adjourn for Dinner.
1:30 p. m., Woman's Work.
2:00 p. m., Orphanage.
3:00 p. m., Temperance.
3:45 p. m., State of the Churches.
4:15 p. m., Adjourn.

Thursday— 9:00 a. m., Devotional Exercises.
9:30 a. m., B. Y. P. U.
10:00 a. m., Education.
11:00 a. m., Historian's Report.
11:15 a. m., Miscellaneous.
11:30 a. m., Appointment of Committee on Resolutions.
12:00 m., Adjournment.

The Moderator recognized the following brethren and invited them to take part in our deliberations: E. L. Middleton, Sunday School Secretary; Rev. Hight C. Moore and Rev. C. E. Garner, of the Biblical Recorder; Bro. Woodall and wife, of the Haywood County Association; Rev. C. D. Creasman, of Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. A. I. Justice and J. B. Freeman, of the Carolina Association. Rev. C. B. Waller, D. D., of the First Church of Asheville, was introduced to the Association, and responded in a happy vein.

Application for member ship from New Morgan Hill Baptist Church is received, and referred to the following committee: J. T. Justice, J. B. Grice and R. B. Sams.

On motion of Dr. A. E. Brown, adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Dr. Waller.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

The Association reassembled at 2:00 p. m. Devotional services. Rev. Hight C. Moore led in prayer.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

Periodicals—W. Haynes, J. H. Cordell, J. C. Miller.

Education—J. W. Freeman, J. N. Morgan, B. B. Jones.

Sunday-Schools—R. B. Sams, H. Sales, E. B. Goldsmith.

State of Churches—C. C. Koon, W. T. Bradley.

Foreign Missions—Rev. C. B. Waller, G. D. Carter, Robt. Greenwood.

Home Missions—Rev. G. P. Hamrick, Rev. J. B. Grice, J. J. Harris.

Committee on application of New Morgan Hill for membership recommends that it be admitted to membership in this body. Report of committee adopted and church admitted.

The report on periodicals is presented by Rev. W. Haynes.

Report on Periodicals.

Your Committee on Periodicals report:

That in the "Biblical Recorder," published weekly, at Raleigh, N. C., we have a source of information that will inspire every working church; and every individual member of said churches to their best efforts in doing service in order to advance the Redeemer's Kingdom, and to elevate humanity. To be more precise, the weekly visits of said paper, duly read will keep any one fairly well posted on what is doing among us, as a denomination for World-wide, Home and State Missions; also the stand taken by the "Recorder" that the State should make larger appropriations directly to the public schools of the State; should challenge the admiration, and at least the moral support and sympathy of the masses. Moreover, unless our preachers, teachers and leaders exercise a greater interest in seeing that our people are well supplied with sound literature, we will wake up to find the ground preempted and sowed down in all sorts of heresies and isms. You can get the Recorder at an annual outlay of $1.50. Do you take it?

W. HAYNES, Chairman.

Remarks by Rev. W. Haynes, Rev. H. C. Moore and C. E. Garner. Report unanimously adopted.

Rev. A. E. Brown moves that the Moderator appoint a committee of eight on Apportionment, to be composed of the Associational representative of the Foreign Board, the State Board, the Home Board, the Orphanage and four other brethren. It shall be the duty of this committee to apportion to the various churches their pro rata part of amounts asked of this Association for the various objects. After remarks by Dr. Brown and others, the motion was adopted.

R. B. Sams read the report on Sunday Schools.

Sunday Schools.

The Sunday School work of this Association is hopeful. There seems to be a steady growth in the Association and throughout the State. Since 1905 we have grown in the State from 1,290 schools to 1,858

schools in 1911, a gain of 568, or 44 per cent. in six years. Since March, 1912, our statistics show about 70 new schools have been organized in the State. During the past six years the membership in our Sunday Schools in the State has grown from 104,534 to 174,384, an increase of 69,750, or 67 per cent. The proportional increase in the bounds of this Association is evidently about the same ratio.

There are in the State of North Carolina 125 churches without Sunday Schools. In this Association there are only two churches that have not Sunday Schools. It may be difficult to secure live Sunday Schools in all churches, but it is because of the fact that we have not proper leadership and that there is gross indifference at such points by the members composing such churches.

The normal training in our State is exceedingly hopeful. Nearly two thousand were enrolled in North Carolina during the last Southern Baptist Convention year. On May 1, 1911, there were only 686 diplomas in North Carolina from our normal training course, but on May 1, 1912, 1,483 diplomas were held by North Carolinians, a gain of 116 per cent. in one year. In this particular line of work the Sunday Schools in our Association are deficient, there being none perhaps who have taken the training course except the schools in the city of Asheville and one or two others. This is very important work. If teachers are not prepared before going into their class rooms our work must suffer. Our Association ought to emphasize the normal training work during this session.

Another matter of vital importance is Associational organization; a plan for this has been carefully worked out, and tracts on the work will be furnished to all who wish them by E. L. Middleton, Sunday School Secretary, Raleigh, N. C.

Our contributions to the Sunday School Mission fund have in the past been very meager, but we should undertake at once to materially increase our contributions to the support of this work.

A summary of the things we need to emphasize are in part as follows:

1st. All Sunday Schools open all the year.

2nd. One or more Sunday Schools for each church, and all church members attending each session.

3rd. A well organized Home Department for those who are shut in or otherwise prohibited from attending the Sunday School sessions.

4th. A Cradle Roll in each Sunday School under the management of a live superintendent, in which all the children who are too young to attend Sunday School in the entire community should be enrolled.

5th. That all pastors give active co-operation to the Sunday School work, and especially in the training of competent teachers.

6th. A Sunday School Convention in every Association.

7th. Sunday School Institutes at frequent intervals at most accessible points in the bounds of the Association.

8th. A thoroughly organized and determined effort to reach all the unconverted in the bounds of the Sunday School and make them regular attendants.

9th. That the pastor, superintendents, teachers and all other Christians attending the Sunday Schools make this instituion a real life-saving sation, where the unsaved are not only taught the Bible and trained in Bible study, but that they shall be brought to know Christ as their own personal Saviour.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. SAMS, Chairman.

And upon motion to adopt, introduced the Sunday School Secretary, L. L. Middleton, who addressed the Association on Sunday School work. General discussion and report is adopted.

Rev. A. E. Brown moves that a committee be appointed to ascertain any amendments to the Constitution which have been previously adopted and not now published, also to have any typographical errors corrected. Motion adopted.

Committee—Dr. Brown, J. M. Stoner, W. T. Bradley.

Dr. Waller was requested to preach at the evening service, by a rising vote.

On motion, adjourned until 8:15 p. m.

TUESDAY NIGHT, 8:15.

Rev. C. B. Waller, D. D., of the First Church preached. The subject of the sermon was, "The Disciple Whom Jesus Loved." Text, John 21:20. Three lessons were drawn as to why John was "the beloved Disciple." 1, Because John loved Jesus; 2, because John had faith in Jesus; 3, because John suffered with Jesus.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.

Association met at 9:00 a. m., according to adjournment. Rev. A. I. Justice led 30 minutes devotional exercises.

Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

Letter from Reems Creek read and delegates enrolled.

The Moderator announced further committees:

Temperance—S. J. Morgan, Jr., Horace Carter, F. M. Williams.

B. Y. P. U.—E. N. Wright, J. R. Grant, J. S. W. Freeman.

Woman's Work—Mrs. J. W. Starnes, Mrs. T. J. Reed, Miss Mae McFee.

Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of Fairview Church.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher—R. B. Sams, Jas. N. Morgan, W. Haynes, J. Ashworth.

Committee on Apportionment—G. D. Carter, R. B. Sams, A. E. Brown, J. L. Welch, J. B. Grice, E. J. Morgan, W. T. Bradley, N. B. Phillips.

Bro. J. T. Justice offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the following brethren be designated as representatives of the following Associational interests, viz.: G. D. Carter, Home Missions; R. B. Sams, Foreign Missions; A. E. Brown, State Missions; J. L. Welch, Orphanage.

By common consent the reports on Home Missions and Foreign Missions were read at the same time, and take place of State Missions in Order of Business. Rev. L. Johnson having not yet arrived from Asheville, report on Home Missions was read by Rev. G. P. Hamrick, as follows:

Home Missions.

Our Lord has never left us without giving specific directions how to live clean and useful lives and how we might grow by uplifting humanity.

Between the dates when the Lord was resurrected and ascended, He explained to the disciples what He would expect of them.

No head line ought to create more enthusiasm or arouse greater patriotism among Southern Baptists than glad tidings sent home. First, What territory does Home Missions embrace? Every destitute spot in the Southern States, including the Indian, Negro and the foreign population so rapidly flowing into our bounds; together with the West Indian Isles and Panama Zone. Shall we realize and shoulder our obligations to these?

Another great problem to be solved is our Mountain Schools. These are fostered and upheld by the Home Board, with a secretary in our Association. This territory largely belongs to us. Shall we cultivate it, or allow it to drift into other hands?

Second, the workers and work done. A band of more than 1,300 workers, Godly, consecrated men and women with Christ in their lives and determination written upon their brow, march as a host with banners having victory written upon every one.

During the last 12 months with only $366,000 and a working force of 1,309, we rejoice over the grand result of 26,000 baptisms and a total addition to the Church, of more than 47,000. Besides this there have been 201 churches organized and 234 houses built and repaired. In addition, 29 mountain schools have been conducted with 4,636 students and 142 teachers. Among the students of these schools are 75 young preachers and 267 of the students were baptized last year.

Surely in this great mountain country, embracing a territory of 76,000 square miles and 3,334,000 population, more than half of which belong to the Baptists, we having already invested more than $500,000 on the field, we cannot afford to let anything hinder us from capturing and holding the situation.

Let us with increased energy and redoubled courage claim our own. With many of our best missionaries among the Indians and 27 Negro missionaries working with their own people, and marvelous success attending all efforts, much is to be expected.

Added to all this we have the evangelistic force helping to build up the weak places, making strongholds of many of the weaker churches. The evangelists numbered last year among their converts 3,739; 683 volunteered for the ministry. This is proving a mighty factor for good in our Southland.

We ought to increase our contributions and multiply our forces. To do this your committee recommend to every pastor in the Association, first, that he make a special endeavor to secure a contribution from every member of each church. Second, that he preach at least one sermon per year on Home Missions and take a special collection. Third, that the Home Field be read by as many as possilbe and that other literature of the Home Board be distributed among the members.

G. P. HAMRICK,
J. B. GRICE,
J. J. HARRIS.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by Rev. Calvin B. Waller, as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The supreme task of the churches of Jesus Christ is world-wide evangelization. This enterprise was inaugurated by the Master himself when He gave to His disciples the "Great Commission." The very spirit of Christianity is missionary—go and give are the two key words. The beneficent influences of this missionary spirit cannot be limited—to limit means death; to limit the stream means a stagnant pool. Every

Christian seems logically by nature a foreign missionary. The same reasoning that would withhold the Gospel from Canton, China, would withhold it from Asheville, and thus we would have universal spiritual stagnation and death. To be anti-mission is a simple form of anti-Christian.

The work of the Foreign Mission Board the past year has been most glorious. We have in foreign lands now 271 missionaries, 577 native helpers, 342 churches, 826 out-stations, 4,300 baptisms, with a total membership of 24,689. The gifts to this great cause last year were $580,408 —through the hospitals, dispensaries, Sunday schools, colleges, etc., great inroads are being made in all mission lands.

JUDSON CENTENNIAL.

A new impetus was given to our foreign mission enterprise at the recent convention in Oklahoma City, when with great enthusiasm and unanimity, it was voted to raise $1,250,000 as a special Judson Centennial fund within the next three years. This amount to be used for better equipment in the foreign fields, such as church buildings, school buildings, publication houses, homes for missionaries, etc. This amount is to be raised independent of our regular contributions to foreign missions, and ought not to be allowed to interfere with this or any other regular contribution. We commend the Foreign Mission Journal to the brotherhood as the organ of publicity of the Foreign Mission Board.

The opportunity for world-wide harvest was never greater. The doors of all lands are open to missionaries. At no time in the Christian era could the Master's words, "Lift up your eyes and look on the field, for they are white unto harvest," be so appropriately quoted as now. May we not give ourselves diligently and with great haste to this supreme task.

Respectfully submitted,
CALVIN B. WALLER,
G. D. CARTER.

The morning light is breaking,
The darkness disappears.
The sons of God are waking
To penitential tears.

On motion to adopt report on Foreign Missions, Rev. Calvin B. Waller delivered a powerful address on Foreign Missions, using the following:

"THE FIELD IS THE WORLD."

1. The spirit of Christianity is essentially missionary. Every Christian is logically a foreign missionary.

2. A review of the world-wide mission field, with 1,307,000,000 heathens.

3. How may we reap this world-wide harvest: (a) through prayer—praying; (b) through purse—giving; (c) through person—missionaries.

On motion to adopt the report on Home Missions addresses were delivered by Rev. G. P. Hamrick and Dr. A. E. Brown.

Rev. R. D. Cross read report on State Missions.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

While missions are grounded on the suffering and death of Christ, so that we would be under obligation to evangelize the world had no command been given, yet, in the great commission given by our Lord before His ascension, as recorded in Matthew, we have the work to be done, and the promise of His presence if we do it. Here it is evangelize,

and pastor and that we pray the Lord of the harvest that He send more laborers into the harvest, "for the harvest is great and the laborers are few."

The growth and development of our church members is a thing of great necessity. Growth in the church graces and the spirit of missions is of great importance. We would recommend that our pastors preach and practice Missions.

W. T. BRADLEY,
C. C. KOON.

On motion to adopt, Rev. R. D. Cross delivered a stirring address, declaring that the Buncombe County Association is now in a critical state of its existence.

Further remarks were made by Rev. W. T. Bradley, Jas. N. Morgan, Rev. A. I. Justice and Dr. Waller.

Motion to adopt carried by a rising vote.

Rev. E. J. Morgan read report on Orphanage.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

There is no institution in the State under Baptist auspices which is doing a greater work than the Orphanage at Thomasville. Last year it cared for 371 children. It now has a capacity for 400. The Kennedy gift of twelve hundred acres of land in the county of Lenoir is a valuable addition. But even this calls for an increase in machinery, larger equipment and calls for larger gifts. Bad crops with some expensive buildings have brought on a debt. This debt must be wiped out and the merest running expenses met. The manager asks for a collection from all Sunday schools once a month, and a Thanksgiving offering from all the Churches.

Signed for Committee,
E. J. MORGAN.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Rev. E. J. Morgan, J. L. Welch, H. A. Brown, and L. E. Middleton spoke for Charity and Children, the Orphanage paper.

Dr. Brown, for Committee on Apportionment, submits report. On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Dr. Brown, J. J. Harris, Dr. Waller, Rev. W. Haynes.

Dr. Waller offers amendment to report that the committee be continued for one year and that each church be notified of our action and of amounts expected from them for various objects.

Prof. N. A. Melton, of the Fruitland Institute, addressed the Association on the work of his Institution.

Dr. Brown is excused from further sessions of the Association, as was also representative of Liberty Church.

Dr. Brown moves that Church Clerks be requested to mail their Church letters to Clerk of the Association by the first of August so statistical and financial tables can be tabulated and ready for the various committees by opening session of the Association.

Remarks by Dr. Brown, Rev. W. Haynes, F. M. Williams and E. B. Stradley. Adopted.

Rev. R. D. Cross read the report on Temperance.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Since the day when Noah got drunk, drunkenness has been considered a great evil. Homer, who lived hundreds of years before Christ,

wrote: "Far from me be the gift of Bacchus, pernicious, enflaming wine that weakens both mind and body."

Addison echoed the same sentiment in the words: "Drink is death's prime minister."

John D. Long did not exaggerate when he said: "Drink is the dynamite of modern civilization."

It is indeed a great evil. Tonight it enters an humble home to strike the roses from a woman's cheek, and tomorrow it challenges this republic in the halls of Congress. Today it strikes a crust from the lips of a starving child and tomorrow levies tribute from the Government itself. It defies the law when it cannot coerce suffrage.

Its purpose is to mislead human souls and to crush human hearts under its rumbling wheels.

"They that be drunken are drunken in the night, but let us, who are of the day, be sober." 1st Theso. 5:7 and 8.

Your committee is glad to report that temperance is surely in the forward march to victory. Already the effects of temperance are being realized in every part of our own State, and now since we have State-wide prohibition, let us put forth our energy to hasten the victory for God and righteousness. Let us see to it that we elect men to office who will have these laws enforced.

S. J. MORGAN, JR.

On motion, adopted.

Clerk read letter from Brown's Chapel Baptist Church, and delegates enrolled.

The Moderator announces the Executive Committee for the year 1912-1913 as follows: Dr. Waller, Rev. G. P. Hamrick, Rev. W. T. Bradley, Dr. Brown, Rev. W. W. Marr, J. M. Stoner, Rev. J. B. Grice, E. B. Stradley.

Time and Place.

R. B. Sams, for Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for next meeting, recommends Beaverdam Baptist Church. Time, Tuesday after second Sunday, August, 1913. Rev. N. B. Phillips to preach the Introductory Sermon; alternate, Rev. J. B. Grice.

On motion, report is adopted.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reports that Rev. R. D. Cross will preach at evening session.

On motion, adjourned. Benediction by W. T. Bradley.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, 8:30.

Preaching by Rev. R. D. Cross. Subject, Godliness Pays. First Timothy 4-8. Divisions: 1, Meaning of Godliness. 2, How to Become Godly. 3, What is the Profitableness and Pay?

THURSDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises. Prayer by Rev. W. Haynes.

Rev. W. T. Bradley submits Historian's report.

Historian's Report.

The report of the Clerk shows thirty-four Churches represented in the Association this year and 273 baptisms.

New Morgan Hill has been constituted during the past year and Jos. Plemmons is pastor.

Rev. S. J. Morgan, Jr., is pastor at Bent Creek.

W. H. Hooker is pastor at Mt. Olive, J. A. Bradley pastor at Elk Mountain, H. R. Freeman at Berea, Rev. W. H. Hipp at Macedonia, J. B. Grice at Mt. Carmel, W. T. Bradley at Flat Creek, Jesse Corn, Pleasant Hill, Dr. C. B. Waller, First Church Asheville. The Church at Chestnut Grove and Sunday school are in their new house of worship, but it is not yet completed.

Elk Mountain has had a good meeting and has taken on new life, but is without a house of worship and ought to have help to build.

Rev. T. K. Brown, who was a strong man and a good preacher, has been called home since our last meeting.

Dr. A. S. Whitaker, of Biltmore, an aged minister as well as a physician, has passed away since our last meeting.

Bro. J. H. Tucker, of Asheville, for years a Deacon, and for fourteen years at one time superintendent of the Sunday school and one of our best workers for twenty-one years, has entered into his well earned rest. Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have right to the Tree of Life and may enter in through the gates into the city.

W. T. BRADLEY,
Historian.

Rev. W. T. Bradley asks that delegates from Antioch Church be excused from further sessions of the Association.

The chairman of Committee on B. Y. P. U. being absent, Rev. R. D. Cross addressed the Association on the Province of the B. Y. P. U. in our Church Work.

The report on Education was read by J. W. Freeman.

Report on Education.

True education, which is the drawing out, the developing and strengthening of every element, every faculty, every power of body, mind and spirit, has its unlimited value in every phase of life. The education of the masses is the most stupendous task of this age. It is something more than a social problem. It is a civil and political, a moral and religious task as well. Inasmuch as education, in the real sense of the word, constitutes one of the chief benefits to society, it becomes a great moral tree.

Again, since statistics show that less than one per cent. of the rose of our country have gone to college; thirty per cent. of our national representatives; forty per cent. of our senators; fifty per cent. of our presidents have been taken from this one per cent. Therefore, judging the future by the past, to our institutions of training we are intrusting our country's future statesmen, those who are to be clothed with authority and make laws for the government of mankind. Hence education becomes a civil and political problem.

Furthermore, since the early training of the youth shapes the moral character of the man, and since the eternal destiny of man depends upon the character of this life, it follows that education is the profoundest spiritual and religious task.

It is this spiritual and religious education that interests us today. Education in relation to the Kingdom of God.

Our secondary Christian schools should be cherished, improved and endowed, for these prepare many of our boys and girls for efficient Christian leadership in their home churches. Our colleges—Wake For-

est and Meredith—should receive a greater per cent. of our boys and girls to make of them intellectual leaders in Church and State. Most of our ministerial students get their training at Wake Forest. This last term about 65 received aid from the Educational Board, a goodly number of which were from this Association. The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Training School should have our moral and financial support, for here is given theological training necessary for spiritual leadership. Of all the people who should be loyal to their educational institutions, the *Baptists* should come first, because of our democratic form of church government, where all the people are equal in voice. We believe every loyal Baptist should regard it a great privilege to be a faithful supporter of all our academies, colleges and seminary.

J. W. F.

On motion to adopt, remarks by Rev. Haynes, A. I. Justice, H. R. Freeman.

Bro. Linebery, Educational Secretary of the convention, having arrived, addressed the Association on the subject of Christian Education.

The Moderator announced the following chairmen of committees for next Annual Meeting:

Foreign Missions—Pastor of Calvary Church.

Home Missions—Rev. Calvin B. Waller.

State Missions—Rev. G. P. Hamrick.

Orphanage—W. Haynes.

State of the Churches—R. B. Sams.

Sunday Schools—J. B. Grice.

Periodicals—W. W. Marr.

Education—W. H. Hipps.

Temperance—N. B. Phillips.

B. Y. P. U.—J. Powell Tucker.

Woman's Work—J. W. Bradley.

Devotional Exercises—Pastor of Beaverdam Church.

Rev. W. Haynes moves that the Clerk have minutes published and receive $10.00 for his services.

Rev. W. Haynes offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Association be and are hereby tendered to the Fairview Church and community for their abundant hospitality, sympathy and co-operation during our stay among them.

J. M. Stoner submits his report as Tresaurer, which was adopted:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Cash received at this session of the Buncombe County Association for following objects:

Foreign Missions	$ 62.25
Home Missions	41.70
State Missions	36.00
Sunday School Missions	2.00
Orphanage	46.65
Minutes	43.19
	$231.79

J. M. STONER, Treasurer.

After some general discussion the Association adjourned to meet with the Beaverdam Baptist Church August 12, 1913. Thus closed one of the most harmonious and inspiring sessions of the Buncombe County Association.

REV. W. W. MARR,
Moderator.

E. B. STRADLEY, Clerk.

TABLE I.—FINANCIAL.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairs.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	The Poor.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.
Asheville, First Ch...	$3000.00	$1262.71	$5334.64	$ 734.47	$175.42	$740.00	$ 578.33	$ 722.46	$ 368.45	$15.00	$ 699.05	$438.90	$165.00
Antoich	60.00	401.69	.....	25.60	.....	.....	20.00	16.50	23.50	.....	6.00	.....	.....
Avery Creek.....	48.00	1.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.00	5.00	.....	.....
Beaverdam.....	200.00	14.25	.....	17.51	.....	.....	32.37	46.74	50.50	3.00	31.89	.....	.....
Bent Creek.....	45.00	.....	.....	7.00	.....	.....	.....	2.50	2.50	.....	7.50	.....	.....
Berea	100.00	.....	1.00	10.50	.....	.....	14.30	.....	20.00	.....	6.00	.....	.....
Bethel	30.00	.....	.....	.....	2.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.12	.....	.....
Big Ivy	60.00	30.00	.....	30.00	50.00	.....	.....	7.00	7.00	.....	7.75	.....	.....
Biltmore	300.00	25.00	127.75	75.00	20.00	20.00	30.00	40.00	30.00	.....	67.00	5.00	.....
Black Mountain.....	50.00	.....	.....	8.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	3.50	.....	.....	.....	.....
Calvary (W. Ash.)..	900.00	158.70	85.65	80.53	6.00	.....	65.00	82.07	82.19	3.19	108.82	160.00	.....
Chestnut Grove.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....
Elk Mtn.....	60.00	.....	.....	18.00	5.00	.....	5.00	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fairview	500.00	200.00	50.00	21.00	10.00	.....	100.00	26.80	37.20	.....	51.00	.....	.....
Flat Creek.....	60.85	1.50	.....	7.37	5.80	.....	5.00	5.00	9.00	.....	19.60	.....	.....
Gash's Creek	150.00	133.25	13.00	.....	5.41	.....	10.00	10.00	8.00	.....	11.00	.....	.....
Hominy.....	85.11	20.00	9.00	22.41	.....	.....	5.50	5.50	11.00	.....	15.08	.....	.....
Inanda	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	1.00	3.50	.....	5.00	.....	.....
Jupiter	40.00	.....	10.00	5.00	25.00	.....	5.00	5.00	9.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....
Liberty	66.00	19.75	.....	73.53	.....	.....	8.48	4.00	3.25	.....	7.50	.....	.....
Mountain View	60.00	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	5.00	10.00	5.00	.....	9.00	.....	.....
Macedonia	42.92	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	2.30	5.00	5.00	.....	8.00	.....	.....
Morgan Hill	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00
Mt. Carmel	130.00	25.00	22.00	18.60	5.00	.....	5.00	8.00	12.00	.....	40.00	.....	.....
Mt. Olive	36.00	.....	3.50	.....	9.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.46	.....	.....
New Morgan Hill....	12.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove	50.00	.....	.....	6.00	5.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reeds Chapel	50.00	40.00	10.00	11.03	8.00	.....	10.00	10.00	6.00	.....	14.71	.....	.....
S. Black Mountain...	178.75	25.00	.....	36.56	.....	.....	10.00	2.00	5.00	.....	7.00	.....	.....
Spring Mountain	50.00	.....	.....	6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....
Swannanoa	50.00	.....	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....
Reems Creek	40.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
West End	800.00	65.76	70.81	158.81	6.59	.....	72.62	46.47	46.47	6.00	91.75	161.00	169.29
Brown's Chapel	25.00	.....	.....	8.00	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	$7345.13	$2424.11	$5737.35	$1410.92	$364.22	$760.00	$1004.10	$1076.24	$ 761.26	$33.19	$1240.23	$764.90	$344.29

TABLE III.—STATISTICAL.

Pastor.	Postoffice.	Clerk.	Postoffice	Time of Preaching.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	No. of Males.	No. of Females.	Total Membership.
C. B. Waller....	Asheville.....	C. S. Davis.....	Asheville, N. C....	Every S	$ 85,000.00	1,800	23	77	...	34	4	7	...	...	1,200
W. T. Bradley..	Stocksville	C. S. Gentry.....	Democrat, N. C...	3	1,200.00	400	...	3	...	7	1	2	65	94	159
J. R. Liner.....	Fletcher, R. 1.....	S. O. Ingram.....	Arden, N. C.....	2	200.00	400	...	3	...	.....	..	1	13	27	40
W. T. Bradley..	Stocksville, R. 1...	E. P. Stradley....	Asheville, N. C....	2, 4	1,200.00	200	7	2	...	....	..	..	22	27	49
S. J. Morgan, Jr.	Biltmore, R. 3....	Mrs. Z. V. Greene	Biltmore, R. 3....	2, 4	.....	125	1	2	...	4	..	..	8	18	26
R. H. Freeman.	Black Mountain ..	J. A. Cordell.....	Swannanoa, N. C.	2	1,800.00	400	...	...	...	....	2	3	29	39	68
T. M. Knight...	Alexander, R. 1...	Jos. Goforth	Alexander, N. C..	4	500.00	300	...	1	...	5	3	..	25	38	63
B. B. Riddle....	Pensacola	J. M. Greenwood..	Barnardsville, N.C.	2	3,500.00	500	3	3	...	....	..	2	67	90	157
W. W. Marr....	Biltmore	V. F. Stephens....	Biltmore, N. C....	1, 3	3,000.00	500	22	2	...	2	..	2	44	86	130
B. B. Riddle....	Pensacola	Ellis Burleson	Rock View	2	1,500.00	400	...	...	...	1	..	1	45	43	88
R. D. Cross.....	Asheville, R. 3....	C. M. Lineberry...	Asheville	Every S	4,000.00	300	17	23	...	6	..	..	71	116	187
E. Allison.....	Brevard	Harly Burlison ...	Dillingham	4	1,000.00	400	12	7	1	2	..	..	40	60	100
J. A. Bradley..	Marshall, R. 5....	J. H. Carter.....	Asheville, R. 5....	.....	.....	.....	26	2	...	....	..	..	40	44	84
N. B. Phillips...	Fairview	R. A. Morgan.....	Fairview	Every S	2,200.00	400	42	13	2	2	2	2	134	178	312
W. T. Bradley..	Stocksville	M. B. Spivey.....	Weaverville	1	1,000.00	400	1	5	2	11	1	..	62	85	147
W. W. Marr....	Biltmore	R. C. Sales.....	Skyland	2, 4	5,000.00	300	5	9	2	....	..	1	34	56	90
C. E. Jarvis.....	Leicester	L. C. Clark.....	Hominy	1	2,500.00	500	...	...	...	3	1	..	52	83	135
S. J. Morgan, Jr.	Biltmore, R. 3.....	B. A. Towe.....	Biltmore	1	1,300.00	300	1	...	...	9	1	..	15	22	37
J. A. Bradley...	Marshall, R. 5....	W. W. Crowder..	Alexander	4	1,200.00	300	2	1	...	....	..	..	38	37	75
G. P. Hamrick..	Asheville	L. W. Young.....	Candler	4	1,000.00	250	3	1	...	2	1	1	27	46	76
.....	.....	J. L. Burnett.....	Black Mountain ..	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	....	1	1	36	58	94
R. H. Hipps.....	Spring Creek	Hugh Rymer	Alexander	4	450.00	600	6	2	...	3	..	1	39	65	104
S. J. Morgan and	Stocksville			1	800.00	150	6	1	...	4	..	1	55	70	125
Ammons	Mars Hill	S. W. Lewellen....	Stocksville												
J. B. Grice.....	Asheville	A. E. Sluder.....	Asheville, R. 4.....	1, 3	1,000.00	500	11	15	3	10	2	..	47	62	109
W. H. Hooker..	Alexander	A. E. Randall.....	Asheville, R. 2....	2	350.00	125	12	...	...	....	..	..	19	23	42
Jas. Plemmons..	Candler	Wayl'd Plemmons.	Candler	.....	.....	.....	15	15	...	....	..	..	...	...	30
N. B. Phillips...	Fairview	Eli Garren	Fairview	1	600.00	300	...	...	...	1	..	1	14	21	35
W. W. Marr....	Biltmore	A. T. Davidson...	Biltmore	2	1,000.00	200	1	4	...	1	2	..	13	26	39
J. A. Bradley...	Jupiter, R. 4.....	W. J. Silver.....	Weaverville	3	.....	.....	...	...	...	....	2	..	22	14	36
H. R. Freeman..	Black Mountain ..	J. H. Denny.....	Black Mountain ..	1, 3	3,000.00	400	1	5	...	2	4	2	23	30	53
N. B. Phillips...	Fairview	J. B. Guffey.....	Fairview	4	600.00	200	...	...	...	15	..	1	16	15	31
H. R. Freeman..	Swannanoa	I. H. Chatham....	Swannanoa	2	1,000.00	300	...	6	...	....	1	1	22	35	57
G. P. Hamrick..	Asheville	L. M. Revis.....	Asheville	Every S	10,000.00	800	46	13	1	4	..	2	77	163	240
J. A. Bradley...	Marshall, R. 5....	W. T. Bradley....	Beech	2	1,200.00	300	10	2	1	....	..	..	50	40	90
				.....	$137,000.00	12,050	273	217	12	128	26	32	...	...	4,308

Church.	Superintendent.	Postoffice.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total Enrollment.	No. of Schools.	Vol. in Library.	Quarterlies Taken.	Months kept open	Average Attendance.	No. of Baptisms.	Contributions for for Missions, Orphanage, Etc.	School Expenses.	Total Contributions
Asheville, First Ch	C. S. Davis	Asheville	75	1,614	1,689	5	300	500	12	791	12	$1,639.89	$ 734.47	$2,374.36
Antioch	J. H. Woodward	Democrat	9	100	109	1	...	100	12	55	...	6.00	25.60	31.60
Avery's Creek			...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....
Beaverdam	W. B. Scarbrough.	Asheville, R. 2	7	73	80	1	...	80	12	35	5	50.19	17.51	67.70
Bent Creek	N. B. Creasman	Biltmore, R. 3	6	60	66	1	...	77	12	.....	...	.....	7.00	7.00
Berea	J. A. Cordell	Swannanoa, R. 1	4	50	54	1	...	45	12	30	...	19.00	10.50	29.50
Bethel	A. B. Sellers	Asheville, R. 3	6	49	55	1	...	.....	12	30	...	.....	.....	.....
Big Ivy	D. W. Shuford	Barnardsville	10	140	150	1	...	200	12	90	3	.....	30.00	30.00
Biltmore	J. M. Brookshire	Biltmore	10	96	106	1	50	100	12	70	15	.....	75.00	75.00
Black Mouuntain	J. G. Buchanan	Rock View	7	42	49	1	...	.....	10	33	...	.....	8.00	8.00
Brown's Chapel	J. S. Rhea	Beech	9	137	146	1	...	260	12	70	...	.....	8.00	8.00
Calvary	B. B. Jones	Asheville, No. 3	11	250	261	1	250	300	12	131	8	143.19	80.53	223.72
Chestnut Grove	Chas. Ledford	Dillingham	7	83	90	1	...	.....	12	60	...	.....	.....	.....
Elk Mountain	W. B. Langford	Asheville, R. 5	5	60	65	1	...	80	12	60	24	.....	18.00	18.00
Fairview	J. R. Grant	Fairview	22	315	337	3	...	219	12	250	30	25.00	21.00	46.00
Flat Creek	M. B. Spivey	Stocksville	9	95	104	1	...	84	12	55	...	55.40	7.37	62.77
Gash's Creek	T. J. Ingle	Swannanoa	7	65	72	1	...	90	12	50	4	.....	.....	.....
Hominy	J. E. Morgan	Candler	8	65	73	1	...	72	12	33	...	4.08	22.41	26.49
Inanda	Eug. Brown	Candler	5	75	80	1	...	50	12	50	...	.....	5.00	5.00
Jupiter	E. A. Roberts	Alexander	7	80	87	1	...	50	12	45	...	.....	.....	.....
Liberty	W. W. Greene	Candler	9	51	60	1	...	115	12	42	...	7.50	73.53	81.03
Macedonia	M. E. Sluder	Alexander	7	60	67	1	...	.....	12	50	...	.....	5.00	5.00
Morgan Hill	R. P. Lewellyn	Stocksville	6	50	56	1	...	55	12	50	...	.....	.....	.....
Mount Carmel	L. D. Brookshire	Asheville, R. 4	8	100	108	1	...	150	12	73	...	40.00	18.60	58.60
Mt. Olive	A. A. Stewart	Asheville, R. 2	4	38	42	1	...	20	12	25	...	6.46	3.50	9.96
Mountain View	Tom Morris	Black Mountain	7	46	53	1	...	55	12	35	...	.....	10.00	10.00
New Morgan Hill		Candler	6	70	76	1	...	.....	12	50	...	.....	12.50	12.50
Pleasant Grove	Eli Garren	Fairview	6	55	61	1	...	.....	12	38	...	.....	6.00	6.00
Reed's Chapel	J. J. Harris	Biltmore	5	85	90	1	...	90	12	50	1	.....	11.03	11.03
Reems Creek			...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....
S. Black Mtn	Jos. Kinsey	Black Mountain	7	75	82	1	...	100	12	60	1	.....	36.56	36.56
Spring Mountain	M. W. Huntley	Fairview	6	35	41	1	...	26	12	30	...	.....	6.00	6.00
Swannanoa	J. G. McElrath	Swannanoa	7	100	107	1	...	4	12	60	...	4.00	15.00	19.00
West End (Ashe.)	J. B. Grice	Asheville	14	513	527	1	...	435	12	138	...	124.46	158.81	283.27
			316	4,727	5,043	38	600	3,357	...	2,639	103	$2,125.17	$1,426.92	$3,552.09

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF SOCIETIES.

Churches.	Presidents.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Orphanage.	Schools and Colleges.	Incidentals.	Other Objects.	
Asheville, First	W. M. S., Miss Alice Hough	$670.70	$286.50	$ 60.00	$.....	$.....	$ 8.50	$29.61	$.....	$ 995.31
Asheville, First	Y. L. M. S., Miss Mamie Whittington	178.20	120.34	68.80	35.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	402.34
Asheville, Calvary	W. M. S., Mrs. B. B. Jones	10.00	9.97	15.00	.....	.....	10.00	4.00	5.00	53.97
Asheville, Calvary	Y. L. M. S., Miss Mattie B. Jones	.....	7.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.10
Asheville, West End	W. M. S., Mrs. G. W. Matterson	10.50	10.50	7.60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28.60
Beaverdam	W. M. S., Mrs. Ed. Carter	23.75	20.00	14.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	57.75
Berea	W. M. S., Mrs. Mary Alexander	17.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17.00
Biltmore	W. M. S., Mrs. J. P. Feezer	5.00	15.00	5.00	20.00	67.00	5.00	2.75	.....	119.75
Fairview	W. M. S., Mrs. N. B. Phillips	20.00	10.00	20.00	.....	16.00	.....	.....	.....	66.00
Fairview	B. Y. P. U., P. O. Merrill	8.45	6.80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.25
South Black Mountain	W. M. S., Mrs. T. W. Ingle	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28.75	28.75
		$943.60	$486.21	$130.40	$55.00	$83.00	$23.50	$36.36	$33.75	$1,791.82

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT.

Churches.	State and Associational Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Aged Ministers.
Asheville, First	$ 600.00	$ 800.00	$1,400.00	$25.00	$ 700.00	$175.00	$25.00
Asheville, West End.	80.00	50.00	55.00	5.00	95.00	5.00	5.00
Asheville, Calvary ..	75.00	85.00	85.00	5.00	125.00	10.00	10.00
Antioch	25.00	20.00	25.00	1.50	10.00	1.00	1.00
Avery's Creek	3.00	3.00	3.00	.50	5.00	1.00	1.00
Beaverdam	35.00	50.00	55.00	3.00	35.00	2.00	2.50
Bent Creek	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	7.50	1.00	1.00
Berea	15.00	5.00	20.00	1.00	6.00	1.00	1.00
Bethel	5.00	5.00	5.00	.50	5.00	1.00	1.00
Big Ivy	10.00	15.00	10.00	5.00	10.00	1.00	1.00
Biltmroe	35.00	45.00	35.00	2.50	61.00	2.50	2.00
Black Mountain	3.00	3.00	3.50	.50	2.50	1.00	1.00
Brown's Chapel	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	2.50	1.00	1.00
Elk Mountain	5.00	7.00	7.50	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00
Fairview	100.00	30.00	45.00	3.00	75.00	2.50	2.50
Flat Creek	7.50	7.50	10.00	1.00	20.00	1.00	1.00
Gash's Creek	12.00	12.00	12.00	1.00	12.00	1.00	1.00
Hominy	10.00	10.00	15.00	1.50	15.00	1.00	1.00
Inanda	2.50	2.50	5.00	.50	5.00	1.00	1.00
Jupiter	7.00	7.00	10.00	1.00	7.50	1.00	1.00
Liberty	10.00	8.00	5.00	.50	7.50	1.00	1.00
Macedonia	5.00	7.50	7.50	1.00	8.00	1.00	1.00
Morgan Hill	6.00	6.00	6.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00
Mount Carmel	10.00	10.00	15.00	2.00	40.00	1.00	1.00
New Salem	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	2.50	1.00	1.00
New Morgan Hill...	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00
Pleasant Grove	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00
Pleasant Hill	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	2.50	1.00	1.00
Reed's Chapel	10.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	15.00	1.00	1.00
Reems Creek	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	2.50	1.00	1.00
South Black Mtn....	11.00	5.00	10.00	1.00	7.00	1.00	1.00
Spring Mountain....	2.00	2.00	3.00	.50	2.50	1.00	1.00
Swannanoa	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	2.50	1.00	1.00
Chestnut Grove	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	2.50	1.00	1.00
Mountain View	5.00	10.00	7.50	.50	2.50	1.00	1.00
Totals	$1,114.50	$1,243.00	$1,892.50	$71.50	$1,269.50	$226.00	$76.00

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This Association shall be known as Buncombe County Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II.—OBJECTS.

The objects of this Association shall be:

1. To elicit, combine and direct the energies of the Baptists of Buncombe County in one sacred effort to encourage and promote the propagation of the Gospel within our bounds.

2. To foster and promote, under the auspices of the Baptist State Convention, the cause of State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, Orphanage, Sunday-School and Colportage, Old Ministers' Relief and Temperance.

3. This Association disclaims to exercise lordship over the churches or to have any power which entitles it to infringe upon the internal rights of any of the churches composing it.

ARTICLE III.—CONSTITUENCY.

SECTION 1.—This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent by each Baptist Church in Buncombe County, who shall be duly recommended by letter from the Church to which they belong; provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is so situated as to make it more convenient from natural causes to belong to this body shall be entitled to membership and representation in this Association.

SECTION 2.—Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members exceeding twenty-five.

SECTION 3.—Name of no delegate shall appear in the Minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE IV.

SECTION 1.—The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian.

SECTION 2.—All the officers shall be elected annually immediately after the reading of the church letters and the enrollment of the delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the other officers in any way the Association may direct.

SECTION 3.—It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at all meetings of the body, and keep order in accordance with Mell's Manual Parliamentary Practice.

It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to preside in the absence of the Moderator.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of this body in a business-like manner, to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes of the Association, and to turn them over to his successor.

It shall be the duty of Treasurer to receive all funds belonging to the Association, and to pay them out to the objects for which they were collected.

It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep a record of such items as would be of interest to a future Historian, to preserve the same in a book. He shall also keep a file of the Minutes.

Article V.—Committees.

At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees, whose duty it shall be to report at the next annual meeting: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State of the Churches, Orphanage, Sunday Schools, Temperance, Woman's Work, Order of Business, Time and Place and Annual Sermon for the Next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

It shall be the duty of the committees to report in writing on the subjects given them.

Article VI.

The Association shall at each annual meeting appoint an Executive Board to consist of the officers of the Association and three judicious and active brethren; three of whom shall constitute a quorum.

The Executive Board shall superintend the mission work in the county, and carry out the resolutions and orders of the Association during its recess.

This Board shall be empowered to fill all vacancies which may occur during the year.

Article VII.—Church Letters.

The letters from the churches shall give the following information: name of church and date of organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in its membership and their postoffices; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded, number of deaths during the year; time of meetings; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, education, orphanage, Sunday school and for any other objects.

Report of Sunday school will show the name of the Superintendent and Secretary with their postoffices, number enrolled, average attendance during the year, amount paid for the support of the Sunday school and for benevolent objects.

Article VIII.

This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual Parliamentary Practice.

Article IX.

This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article X.

Whenever the Minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI.

This Association may carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

Minutes of the
Thirty-Second Annual Session

OF THE

Buncombe County
Baptist Association
of North Carolina

HELD WITH

BEAVERDAM BAPTIST CHURCH

August 12, 13 and 14, 1913

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—OF—

NORTH CAROLINA

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R. B. SAMS, Moderator.....Asheville, N. C.
REV. W. T. BRADLEY, Vice-Moderator.....Stocksville, N. C.
E. B. STRADLEY, Clerk.....Asheville, N. C.
M. W. HAMRICK, Treasurer.....Asheville, N. C.
REV. W. W. MARR, Historian.....Biltmore, N. C.

The next session will be held with Flat Creek Baptist Church, beginning Tuesday after second Sunday in August, 1914.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND ASSOCIATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES.

R. B. Sams.....*Chairman*
A. E. Brown, D. D.....*Secretary*
Rev. W. W. Marr.....*Evangelist*
M. W. Hamrick.....*Treasurer*
Rev. W. T. Bradley, Rev. W. H. Moore, Rev. Calvin B. Waller, E. B. Stradley.

Associate Members—All pastors and representatives of denominational interest.

The Committee meets on Monday after the first Sunday in each month at 11 a. m., in Dr. Brown's office, Room 62 American National Bank Building.

Send collections as follows: Orphanage, to S. H. Averitt, Thomasville, N. C.; Missions, to Watters Durham, Raleigh, N. C.; Associational Missions, to M. W. Hamrick, 21 North Main.

REPRESENTATIVES OF CONVENTIONAL OBJECTS.

Foreign Missions.....W. C. McConnell
State Missions.....M. W. Hamrick
Home Missions.....G. D. Carter
Orphanage.....W. O. Riddick
Sunday Schools.....J. B. Grice, J. T. Justice and Jos. N. Morgan

COMMITTEES TO REPORT AT SESSION OF 1914.

Foreign Missions—W. C. McConnell and Rev. W. H. Moore.
Home Missions—B. G. Hayes, Rev. J. B. Grice.
State Missions—T. C. Morgan and Rev. W. P. McCarter.
State of the Churches and Associational Missions—B. B. Jones and Dr. Waller.
Orphanage—W. O. Riddick and Rev. W. T. Bradley.
Sunday Schools—A. I. Ruby and Rev. N. B. Phillips.
Periodicals—E. P. Stradley and Rev. G. P. Hamrick.
Education—Prof. J. W. Bradley and A. E. Brown.
Temperance—Judge Pritchard and Rev. C. E. Beaver.
B. Y. P. U.—Raymond Brown and Rev. S. J. Morgan, Jr.
Woman's Work—Mrs. C. B. Waller and Dr. Wambolt.
Laymen's Movement—J. J. Britt and Rev. W. W. Marr.
Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of Flat Creek Church.
Apportionment—J. M. Stoner and one delegate from each church.

COMMITTEE ON LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT.

R. B. Sams G. D. Carter H. A. Brown
J. T. Justice B. G. Hayes

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Bradley, W. T.....Stocksville, N. C.
Brown, A. E., D. D.....Asheville, N. C.
Barnard, J. E.....Asheville, N. C.
Barnwell, G. L.....Asheville, N. C.
Beaver, C. E.....Black Mountain, N. C.
Connell J. S.....Asheville, N. C.
Cleveland, W. C.....Biltmore, N. C.
Devault, W. B.....Asheville, N. C.
Duckett, R. M.....Asheville, N. C.
Goforth, M. A.....Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Haynes, W. .....Asheville, N. C., R. 1
Hamrick, G. P.....Asheville, N. C.
Hooker, W. H.....Alexander, N. C.
Jackson, J. D.....Asheville, N. C.
Lee, J. N.....Asheville, N. C.
Moore, W. H.....Biltmore, N. C.
Marr, W. W.....Biltmore, N. C.
Moore, S. F.....Fairview, N. C.
Morgan, E. J.....Candler, N. C.
Morgan, S. J.....Stocksville, N. C.
Morgan, S. J., Jr.....Asheville, N. C.
Owen, J. C.....Asheville, N. C.
Phillips, N. B.....Fairview, N. C.
Profitt, M. S.....Democrat, N. C.
Pickens, J. M.....Alexander, N. C., R. 2
Plemmons, Jos. .....Candler, N. C.
Sluder, M. M.....Asheville, N. C.,R. 4
Sexton, J. .....Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Redmon, G. R.....Biltmore, N. C.
Wambolt, M. M., D. D.....Asheville, N. C., R. 3
Waller, Calvin B., D. D.....Asheville, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

The thirty-second annual session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with the Beaverdam Baptist Church August 12-14, 1913, the following officers being in attendance: Rev. W. W. Marr, Moderator; Rev. J. B. Grice, Vice-Moderator; E. B. Stradley, Clerk; Rev. W. T. Bradley, Historian; J. M. Stoner, Treasurer.

The opening session was called to order by Rev. W. W. Marr, Moderator, at 10:30 a. m. Rev. J. E. Barnard, evangelist, conducted devotional exercises.

Rev. Calvin B. Waller moved that we proceed at once to permanent organization. Carried. The Clerk read letters from the following churches and delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch—C. S. Gentry, J. H. Woodward, Rev. W. P. McCarter, T. C. Morgan, D. C. Bradley, Rev. W. T. Bradley, J. H. Greenwood.

Asheville, First Church—Rev. Calvin B. Waller and wife, Rev. J. E. Barnard and wife, Altha Ira Ruby, W. C. McConnell, J. T. Justice, R. B. Sams, F. M. Williams, Rev. J. N. Lee, J. M. Stoner, Dr. W. P. Whittington, W. B. DeVault and wife, Rev. J. S. Connell, Percy Carter, Miss Mae McFee, Mrs. J. T. Justice, Miss Blanche McConnell, Mrs. Hattimer, Mrs. W. H. Westall, Miss Ida Haynes, G. F. Stradley and wife, Mrs. W. C. Stradley and Rev. J. C. Owen.

Beaverdam—Rev. W. Haynes, E. C. Carter, W. B. Scarbrough and E. B. Stradley.

Biltmore—Rev. W. H. Moore, Mrs. J. P. Feezor, Miss Sue Creasman, Z. V. Creasman and wife, M. W. Hamrick, Ed Spain and wife.

Black Mountain—E. W. Haynes.

Big Ivy—K. G. Buckner, Sid Williams, Mrs. J. M. Greenwood.

Berea—J. A. Cordell, J. H. Cordell, W. M. Whistenhunt.

Bethel—M. W. Gouch, Earle Gouch, Thos. Knight, D. Goforth, Ida Foster, Donnie Spivey.

Calvary—Rev. M. M. Wambolt, Geo. H. Starnes, Edward Ingle, Mrs. W. E. Logan.

Elk Mountain—Rev. R. N. Branson, R. C. Gosnold, J. M. Howard, C. A. Pounders.

Fairview—A. H. Pinkerton.

Flat Creek—J. K. Robinson and wife, M. B. Spivey and wife, Wiley Roberts, Miss Hattie Roberts.

Gash's Creek—Jonas Goldsmith, Luther Hart, Mrs. Thos. Sales, Rev. W. C. Cleveland.

Hominy—C. C. Morgan, Jonas H. Morgan, Miss L. L. Morgan, Miss Emely Clark.

Inanda—J. D. Ledford and wife, and T. H. Byers.

Jupiter—J. M. Harris, A. E. Roberts.

Liberty—J. H. Holcombe.

Macedonia—J. G. Rymer and H. B. Miles.

Mt. Carmel—A. E. Sluder, Rev. M. M. Sluder, L. D. Brookshire,

Lorin Brookshire, Jess Rymer, E. L. Ingle and wife, Miss Texie Brookshire.

Morgan Hill—Jos. Morgan, Jas. N. Morgan, Bud Morgan, S. W. Lewellyn.

New Morgan Hill—Rev. E. J. Morgan.

Pleasant Grove—Chas. Nesbitt, J. B. Reed and J. J. Harris.

Pleasant Hill—J. N. Kuykendall.

Reed's Chapel—J. J. Harris and J. J. Fox.

South Black Mountain—Rev. C. E. Beaver, J. H. Denny and L. D. Hudgins.

Swannanoa—J. M. Lewis and G. M. Barnwell.

West End (Asheville)—Rev. J. B. Grice, Rev. G. P. Hamrick and wife, L. M. Revis.

The Moderator recognized the following visiting brethren: Rev. J. M. Hilliard, J. B. Moore, Rev. C. E. Maddrey, Rev. H. C. Moore, Rev. A. I. Justice, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, Prof. Woodward of Fruitland Institute, H. C. Rathbone, Yancey Co., J. A. Davis of Mars Hill.

Bro. W. W. Marr. the present Moderator, thanked the Association for the honor conferred upon him in electing him Moderator for two years and asked that they elect another Moderator this year.

Bro. J. T. Justice placed Bro. R. B. Sams in nomination for Moderator and upon motion Bro. Haynes was instructed to cast the vote of the Association for him and he was declared unanimously elected as Moderator.

Other officers elected by acclamation as follows: Rev. W. T. Bradlay, Vice-Moderator; E. B. Stradley, Clerk; M. W. Hamrick, Treasurer: W. W. Marr, Historian.

Upon motion, the pastor and delegates of Beaverdam church are constituted a committee on devotional exercises.

Rev. N. B. Phillips, who was to preach the introductory sermon, and Rev. J. B. Grice, the alternate, both being absent, the Committee on Devotional Exercises recommended that Rev. J. E. Barnard preach the introductory sermon at 1:30 p. m. Upon motion of Dr. Waller, the report of the committee was adopted.

Adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Rev. W. T. Bradley.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, 1:15.

Fifteen minutes' devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. M. Hilliard.

At 1:30 p. m., Rev. John E. Barnard preached the introductory sermon. Scripture reading, John 3d chapter, first to twenty-first verses; text, John 3:3. Subject, Regeneration.

First, What is regeneration? First, it is not religious education. Second, it is not baptism. Third, regeneration is not being whitewashed, not reformation, not doing better, not quitting your meanness. Fourth, while regeneration is not being whitewashed, it is being washed white. Secondly, Why must we be regenerated? Thirdly, Assurances of Regeneration.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

Order of Business—Rev. W. W. Marr, Rev. W. T. Bradley and Rev. Calvin B. Waller.

E. Barnard.

Home Missions—Rev. Calvin B. Waller, J. H. Woodward and L. B. Hudgins.

State Missions—Rev. G. P. Hamrick, J. G. Rymer and A. H. Pinkerton.

Orphanage—Rev. W. Haynes, J. K. Robinson and S. W. Lewellyn.

State of the Churches—R. B. Sams, Z. V. Creasman and Luther Hart.

Sunday Schools—J. B. Grice, J. D. Ledford and J. J. Harris.

Periodicals—Rev. W. W. Marr, R. N. Branson and J. H. Holcombe.

Education—W. H. Hipps, W. C. McConnell and W. P. McCarter.

Temperance—Rev. W. H. Moore, Dr. W. P. Whittington and J. H. Stradley.

B. Y. P. U.—J. Powell Tucker, Edw. Ingle, Miss Mae McFee.

Woman's Work—Mrs. J. E. Barnard, Mrs. E. C. Carter and Mrs. J. P. Feezor.

Time, Place and Preacher for Next Meeting—J. T. Justice, E. B. Stradley and C. S. Gentry.

Executive Committee—Rev. C. B. Waller, Rev. A. E. Brown, Rev. W. H. Moore, R. B. Sams, Rev. W. T. Bradley, E. B. Stradley, Rev. W. W. Marr.

Apportionment—G. D. Carter, W. C. McConnell, E. P. Stradley, Rev. J. B. Grice, Rev. W. T. Bradley, Bud Morgan, Rev. W. H. Moore, A. E. Sluder, Luther Hart.

Committee on Order of Business made report as follows, which is adopted:

Wednesday— 9:00 a. m., Devotional Exercises.

Tuesday—2:45 p. m., Periodicals.
3:15 p. m., Home Missions.
Foreign Missions—Rev. M. M. Wambolt, Rev. M. M. Sluder and J.
Adjournment.
9:30 a. m., Sunday Schools.
10:00 a. m., State of the Churches.
11:00 a. m., State Missions.
1:00 p. m., Devotional Exercises.
1:15 p. m., Foreign Missions.
2:15 p. m., Education.
3:15 p. m., Woman's Work.

Thursday— 9:00 a. m., Devotional Exercises.
9:15 a. m., B. Y. P. U.
9:45 a. m., Orphanage.
10:15 a. m., Laymen's Movement.
10:45 a. m., Temperance.
11:00 a. m., Historian's Report.
11:30 a. m., Miscellaneous.
11:45 a. m., Report on Time, Place and Preacher for
Annual Session.

Rev. W. W. Marr submitted the report on Periodicals. On motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by Rev. H. C. Moore.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS.

There was a time in the history of the world when the masses depended on the public speaker for almost all information. The press

has largely taken the place of the orator and is today the world's medium of instruction, and a mighty factor in moulding public sentiment. It also shows the trend of human thought.

Our denominational papers and literature are to our people just what the secular press is to the world at large. They educate, indoctrinate and show the trend of Baptist thought. They are the soul and spirit of the denomination.

Without these periodicals in our homes, it is impossible to be a well rounded, wide awake Baptist. Those who refuse to take them must grope in ignorance as to the work of our denomination.

We recommend that every Baptist take and read the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, The Home Field, and the Foreign Mission Journal.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. MARR,
R. N. BRANSON,
J. H. HOLCOMBE.

The Report on Home Missions was presented by Rev. Calvin B. Waller. On motion to adopt, remarks were made by Rev. C. B. Waller, C. E. Maddey, G. D. Carter, J. N. Lee, R. B. Sams.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Southern Baptists are confronted by an immense vitalization task. Thousands of churches, without resident pastors, with only once a-month preaching, are finding themselves inadequately taught and trained to meet the pressing needs of today. "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you," we are beginning to see, is as truly a part of the commission of our Lord as is evangelizing the lost. Our Home Board is undertaking to help in this great work for the enlistment and strengthening of our undeveloped churches. To strengthen our Board in this work is to strengthen everything for which Baptists stand.

Three thousand unhoused churches in our Convention territory, with thousands of others in buildings that are not adequate to their needs, mutely appeal for a large and hearty support to the Home Board in raising the Million Dollar Church Building Loan Fund.

In the Southwest, in Cuba and Panama, among the Southern mountains, in destitute city places and in needy rural districts throughout the South, among the Indians and Negroes and the foreigners, through evangelism, church building work and enlistment endeavor, our Home Mission Board is today doing the greatest work of all of its fruitful history.

With all of these tasks pressing for vigorous, capable attention, our Board stands in the front ranks of those agencies of our Baptist body through which we seek to keep inviolate in a day of testing, the great Baptist principle of loyalty to Christ and the teachings of His Word. There is danger that new and increasing Southern wealth shall lead men to drown the voice of spiritual appeal in the noise of the market place. There is a danger, now that the world has become a single community, that we shall love humanity in the abstract and forget to love our neighbors in their own persons—those who live with us and who are the inescapable test of the reality of our love for men. There is danger that hasty effort on the part of some of our churches to adjust

themselves to new and involved social service requirements, may betray us into a wrong emphasis. There is danger that the quality of our impact upon society may be impaired by confusing the "goodly pearls" of social efficiency and human fraternity with "the Pearl of Great Price." Christianity means better living conditions among men, but the supreme business of the churches is to produce these better conditions by producing better men and women.

The Home Mission Board apportionment for the whole South is this year $431,750. The apportionment for our State is $32,500, that for our Association is $1,500.00. Every dollar of the apportionment will be needed, if the Board is to provide for even the most urgent necessities in the various departments of its work.

1. We recommend that the amount for our Association be apportioned among the churches and each church requested to raise its entire amount.

2. That pastors and workers urge churches to subscribe for The Home Field, the monthly Home Mission magazine, and to make the largest use of the excellent Home Mission tracts, which are free on application.

3. That our churches remember Home Missions during the year and give with more regularity to meet the constant needs of the Board.

4. That earnest prayer be made for the cause of Home Missions in all the churches and that our pastors be requested to preach on this subject, as often as practicable.

The address of the Home Mission Board is Third National Bank Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.

Fraternally submitted,

CALVIN B. WALLER,
L. B. HUDGINS,
J. H. WOODWARD.

Rev. W. T. Bradley, for the Committee on Devotional Exercises, reports that Rev. W. R. Bradshaw will preach tonight at 8:15. Rev. A. I. Justice will conduct devotional exercises Wednesday morning, and that Dr. Waller will preach Wednesday night.

Prof. Woodward and Rev. A. I. Justice addressed the Association in behalf of Fruitland Institute.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, 8:15.

Preaching by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, evangelist of the State Mission Board. Scripture reading, 19th Psalm. Text, John 11:28—The Master is come and calleth for thee. The call that solves the three great problems—the Problem of Temptation, the Problem of Sin, the Problem of Death.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. P. McCarter.

Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

Rev. J. B. Grice read report on Sunday Schools. Motion to adopt. Remarks by Rev. J. B. Grice.

Report on Sunday Schools.

The Sunday School has long since ceased to be an experiment, and has become a fixture in the Church for the spread of the Gospel. The

time has come when the Sunday School is no longer looked upon as an organization existing only because there are children who need to have the Bible taught to them, but an organization that reaches people of all ages and of all walks in life, an organization that stands in the forefront with the greatest of the Church's activities, an organization that has the great responsibility of doing nearly all the Bible teaching that is now being done, for we find that there is very little Bible study aside from the lessons as outlined by the Sunday School Committee.

We do not believe that the Sunday School has ever faced such a grave responsibility as it is now facing, for we find that the old time method of teaching the Bible in the home has almost entirely passed out, and the teaching is now placed in the hands of the Church, to be done through the Sunday School. In view of the fact that it occupies such a high and responsible position, it should seek for the best equipment and the highest possible efficiency, and as a means of obtaining this, we heartily recommend and urge that all our teachers and prospective teachers take the "Convention Normal Course," which can be secured from our Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn. We further recommend the "organized" class in all our schools, for we believe that through the organized class we will be able to hold a large number of our young men and young women who would otherwise be lost to the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. GRICE,
J. J. HARRIS,
J. D. LEDFORD.

The Moderator recognized Rev. E. W. Morgan and Bro. Frisbee of West Buncombe Association, and Bro. Hamrick, of the Orphanage.

The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee. On motion to adopt, remarks by Rev. W. W. Marr, Rev. C. B. Waller, J. N. Morgan.

Dr. Waller moved that this Association commend to the churches the effort to raise $1,000.00 to build a church at Wake Forest, N. C.

On motion of Dr. Waller, the hour for consideration of State Missions was moved forward to 11:30 a. m.

Upon motion of Dr. Waller, the Association commended to the churches the plan worked out by Mrs. Geo. A. Shuford for a quarterly Sunday School program on Missions.

Report of Executive Board adopted, carrying change of Constitution, altering Sec. VI.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Your Executive Board rejoices in being able to make a betetr report than usual.

At its first meeting after the last Association the Board decided it would put an Associational Evangelist in the field for a year. After much correspondence and careful thought and prayer, the Board elected to this position Rev. W. W. Marr, at a salary of $1,000 per year, the State Mission Board assuming one-third of the salary. Brother Marr entered upon his work the first of December, 1912, and has conducted ten meetings. His report, which we present below, shows 128 professions, 101 additions by baptism. These same churches reported last

year 21 baptisms. He received for his services in these meetings $276.77. He did supply work for four churches, amounting in all to nineteen days for which he received $51.55, making the total amount received from the field $328.32.

Your Executive Board has given much thought to ways and means of deepening and widening the interest of our churches in the work, not only in the bounds of the Association, but in all departments of the work of our denomination. We, therefore, submit the following recommendations for the consideration of the Association:

1. That the constitution be so changed as to add the pastors of the Association as associate members of the Executive Board, and that it shall be their duty to meet with the Board at least on the first meeting held after the Association.

2. In order to allow the evangelist time for conducting some Christian Workers' Institute, we recommend that the churches include in their budgets a contribution for Associational Missions, and that they set apart the collections of their June and July meetings for this purpose.

3. We recommend that the Association authorize the Executive Board to pledge the credit of the Association for a fund not exceeding $50.00 with which to supply the evangelist with doctrinal missionary books and tracts, the same to be paid back into the treasury as the books are sold.

We submit below an itemized report of Evangelist W. W. Marr:

Meeting Held With	Days of Service.	Sermons.	Professions.	Additions by Baptism.	Additions by Letter.	Total Additions.	Amount Received.
S. Asheville Mission	7	8	4	0	2	2	$ 20.00
Chunn's Cove	7	14	6	6	2	8	37.38
Antioch	14	28	26	26	4	30	36.28
Beaverdam	13	24	6	5	3	8	58.46
Berea	21	40	12	11	1	12	30.07
Black Mountain	6	12	1	0	0	0	16.00
Flat Creek	12	24	5	4	1	5	22.20
Morgan Hill	12	24	26	24	49	73	28.09
Macedonia	14	28	20	16	0	16	13.29
Swannanoa	15	15	22	9	2	11	15.00
Supply work	19	30	...	...	...	...	51.55
Total	126	223	128	101	64	165	$328.32

Special Report.

During the past year the property of the Weaverville church was sold for five hundred ($500.00) dollars, and the money placed in the bank to the credit of A. E. Brown, chairman of the Executive Board of the Association. This money is being held by the Executive Com-

mittee subject to the orders of the trustees of the Weaverville church, and can be disposed of only by their orders.

A. E. BROWN, President.

E. B. STRADLEY, Secretary.

P. S.—Our evangelist has assisted in forming a field at Antioch and Morgan Hill and helped in securing a pastor, Rev. W. P. McCarter. Also assisted in securing Rev. W. H. Moore at Biltmore, N. C.

Report on State Missions was read by Rev. G. P. Hamrick. Remarks by Rev. G. P. Hamrick, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, Rev. J. M. Hilliard, John M. Stoner, Rev. J. N. Lee, J. H. Woodward.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

To the Buncombe County Baptist Association, August 12th, 1913:

Since the organization of our State Mission Board at Greenville in 1830, no organization has done more for North Carolina and made a brighter record than our State Mission Board has done in these 83 years. From a small band of loyal and consecrated Christians, we have grown into a host, an army with banners. If this giant of nearly one-quarter of a million members, would rise and shake himself, all the borders of our State would tremble, repent and believe the Gospel.

State Missions emphasises three points: Evangelization, Education, and Missions. To evangelize means to get right with God; to educate means equipment for the work, and Missions means to know how to manipulate all of our powers so that we may best help to uplift humanity at home and abroad.

State Missions is the basis of all other work. With a competent State Board, and a live wire for a corresponding secretary, and the cooperation of every member of the Baptist Church in North Carolina, our State ought to be shaken from center to circumference. The time has passed when Christians are afraid of Missions, the preacher in this day who does not preach Missions from his heart will soon lose his power as a preacher. The Church which does not meet its obligations for the different objects, soon loses her power in the community. The Association which does not plan to give every member some part in the work does not realize her obligations and cannot rise to her best. The State Mission Board, for convenience, makes three divisions of our State; we belong to the west, with 10,000 square miles of territory 320,000 white population, 80,000 members of the Church. The State Mission Board made a fine record for last year, more money was raised on the fields for the different objects than the Board paid to these churches.

A large number was saved and joined the Church by baptism, and many joined by letter.

Your committee recommend that every church try to induce every member to do something for every object of the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. G. P. HAMRICK,
A. H. PINKERTON,
J. G. RYMER.

The Moderator recognized Bro. Scruggs, wife and daughter, of Waycross, Ga.; Prof. H. L. King, of Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church; Rev. C. D. Creasman, of Nashville, Tenn., and Rev. L. M. Omer, of the Church of the Disciples, of West Point, Ga.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:15 p. m., devotional exercises. Prayer by F. M. Williams.

Dr. M. M. Wambolt read the report on Foreign Missions. Motion to adopt. Remarks by Rev. J. E. Barnard, Dr. Waller.

Report on Foreign Missions.

If this world is ever brought to the feet of the crucified Christ, it will be by gospel proclamation. Wherever there are souls to be saved, the voice of the preacher is needed. The divine command, echoing and re-echoing adown the centuries, clear and certain as the blast of an angel's trumpet, commissions us to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. What an undertaking in His day when for the most part men made their journeys over the mountains and across the plains on foot! What an undertaking in this day, when obedience to that command means girdling with the golden chain of the gospel the entire globe. In accepting it the church of Christ is pledged to carry the gospel to more than four hundred million people in China, to more than three hundred million people in India, to more than two hundred million in Africa, and hundreds of millions outside of these countries. Will a task so amazing ever be accomplished? The commission is the guarantee, for accompanying that commission is the pledge and promise of Christ. Sealed, signed and delivered, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." The Apostle Paul has declared that God has made of one blood all the nations of the earth. So in the realm of the gospel every man is our brother, and humanity's cry wherever heard, whether in Africa or Asia, whether in China or the jungles of India, is the cry of a brother in distress. Oh, if we could only realize this in all its fullness of meaning and immensity of application—that a brother is in peril, that a brother is dying, that a brother is struggling helplessly in the midst of the pitiless sea, and we alone can come to his rescue. This is the gospel idea. This is the thought of the great commission, and Paul emphasizes it when he says, "There is no difference between the Jew and the Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him." Then Paul asks the question, "How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard, and how shall they hear without a preacher, and how shall they preach except they be sent?"

Be not deceived, the islands of the sea shall clap their hands, and distant shores shall yet hear the white crested waves of salvation break in thundrous surge upon their glistening strand. For 'tis the purpose of God fixed as His throne in heaven to bring the glory of the nations into the Kingdom of His Son, and fix forever in human sight Calvary and its rough hewn cross. And in harmony with this eternal plan and purpose, Jesus said to His disciples, as His feet, weary with the long and toilsome journey were parting with the sacred heights of Olivet, "Go ye into all the world." And we ask who is to carry out the purpose of the great commission, who is to grasp the outstretched hand of China, and lead her from darkness and thraldom to light and liberty? Who is to carry to India riches greater than all the gems and jewels exhumed from her mountains and gathered from her historic shores? Who is to enkindle upon the islands of the sea the beacon fires that shall light the way of eternity bound mariners sailing life's treacherous sea without chart or compass, pilot or captain? The salvation of the world, the great and glorious work of rearing a temple on whose

walls shall hang in graceful fold the flag of all nations and whose corridors will echo and re-echo with the shouts of the redeemed of the Lord, He as master architect is to accomplish through you and me.

For this glorious consummation you and I are commanded to pray. "Ask of me and I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." The greatest difficulty in the way is that we as Christians do not think as we should upon these things. David said, "While I was musing the fire burned," and thus it is with the Christian as he thinks of the condition of a perishing world the fire burns, zeal is enkindled and then he begins to pray, and when he begins to pray he begins to give.

Some one has said, "Under God save one and you will want right away to save two. Save two and you will want to save ten. Save ten and you will want to save twenty. Save twenty and you will want to save one hundred. Save one hundred and you will want to save everybody."

May the Lord hasten the glorious time when all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God, when to Calvary all the nations of the world shall come, and every voice in loud acclaim shall sing, "Thy Kingdom, oh Christ, is an everlasting kingdom, and to thy dominions there shall be no end."

In conclusion, we would suggest that all our churches be more regular and systematic in their contributions to all benevolences, especially Foreign Missions. When all churches become as systematic in giving to Missions as some of them are in giving to the pastor's salary, then we will not have to pay so much interest on money borrowed from banks to meet the expenses of the Board. The Lord requires that we lay by in store on the first day of the week as the Lord has prospered us.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. WAMBOLDT,
JOHN E. BARNARD,
M. M. SLUDER,
Committee.

Dr. Waller asked to make a statement in reference to the payment of Prof Ruby's salary by the First Church and the State Board.

Dr. Waller offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Moderator be asked to name two brethren on each report for next year, the first to prepare and read the report, the second to lead in the discussion.

The report on Education not being present, it was postponed, and Laymen's Movement was substituted for it.

J. M. Stone presented the report on Laymen's Movement. Motion to adopt. Remarks by R. B. Sams, Rev. J. E. Barnard.

Report on Laymen's Missionary Movement.

To Buncombe County Baptist Association:

The Committee appointed at our last Association has gone out over the Association, and by the co-operation of the brethren among the churches they have done some fine work; but we are not satisfied. Therefore we recommend that a central committee of five brethren be

appointed, and that we request each church to appoint one of their best Mission workers to co-operate with this central committee, that we may enlist every church in this great movement.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. STONER,
REV. J. N. LEE,
J. N. MORGAN,
W. C. McCONNELL,
L. D. BROOKSHIRE.

Dr. Barnard moved to amend report by adding that one day each year be set apart as a day for fasting and prayer by each church. Adopted.

Upon motion of Rev. G. P. Hamrick, the Moderator was named as chairman of the Laymen's Movement Committee.

The delegates of Gash's Creek, Flat Creek and Liberty were excused from further attendance upon the sessions of the Association.

G. D. Carter submitted the report on apportionment. Adopted.

The report on Woman's Work was read by Mrs. J. E. Barnard. Motion to adopt. Remarks by Rev. W. Haynes, Rev. W. W. Marr, Rev. J. B. Grice.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

We have in our Association: 11 Woman's Missionary Societies, 4 Y. W. C. A.'s, 5 Sunbeam Societies and 4 Royal Ambassador Chapters.

An effort is being made to enlist the women of all the churches in this work and to train the young people for future service.

The annual institute of this district was held at Bryson City, June 4th and 5th. It was a very enthusiastic gathering, forty-eight delegates representing six Associations being present. The W. M. U. state convention meets at Hendersonville next March, and we earnestly desire that all the ladies make a special effort to attend the sessions.

We recommend that the pastors and deacons aid the ladies in organizing and maintaining societies in their churches.

The contributions for this year are:

W. M. S.	$1,408.77
Y. W. A.	500.02
Sunbeams	69.22
Royal Ambassadors	97.68
	$2,075.69

This has been appropriated as follows:

Foreign Missions	$ 795.66
Home Missions	563.73
State Missions	375.41
Self Denial offering	130.71
Christmas offering	133.52
Training School	76.66
Total	$2,075.69

Bro. Haynes moved that the County Evangelist visit the churches not represented and enlist their co-operation. After some general discussion, adopted.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

Preaching by Rev. G. P. Hamrick, of the West End Baptist church. Scripture reading, first chapter Joshua, 1-9. Text, Joshua 1st and 8. Subject, "Success."

THURSDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. C. E. Beaver.

Minutes of Wednesday's session read and approved.

The report on B. Y. P. U. not being presented by the chairman, remarks on Young People's Work were made by Rev. G. P. Hamrick, Rev. J. B. Grice and Rev. R. N. Branson.

Rev. G. P. Hamrick moved that Bro. Tucker be requested to present report on B. Y. P. U. and be published when reviewed by the Executive Committee.

B. Y. P. U.

This is the day of specialists. Men are trained for a certain vocation in life, and each makes a specialty of a peculiar phase of his calling. In Christian work, training is the need of the hour. Your committee knows of nothing that develops the Christian character of our young people as does the B. Y. P. U. The Baraca and Philathea movements have their mission. The B. Y. P. U. develops all ages and classes, none are too old for its membership. Its members may grow old in years but not in spirit. All young people have so much energy to expend, why not utilize it for the cause of Christ? The characters it has developed stand sponsor for the movement. Pastors, are you doing your duty to your young people along this line?

Respectfully submitted for the committee.

Report on Orphanage was presented by Rev. W. Haynes. Motion to adopt. Remarks by Rev. W. Haynes, F. B. Hamrick, Rev. J. M. Hilliard and F. M. Williams.

Report on Orphanage.

The first child was received into the Orphanage November 11, 1885. Since that time 1,200 children have been enrolled, and the present number is 411. Average cost per child about $100 a year.

At the Kennedy Memorial Home which is located in Lenoir County, two dormitories are in process of erection and will be ready for the reception of children by January 1st. It is hoped that sufficient funds will come to completely equip this part of the institution so that the work there may go forward without interruption. About half of the necessary funds have been secured.

A valuable gift has been made to the Orphanage, consisting of 375 acres of land in Transylvania County by Miss Mary and Victoria Galloway. This place is estimated to be worth $25,000, but is not available during the lifetime of Miss Mary Galloway. Another notable gift was the bequest in the will of Dr. S. W. Little, of Davie County, which, it is believed, will turn into the Orphanage treasury some $25,000. These two great contributions in addition to a small sum left by the late John Pullen have all come since the beginning of the year 1913.

While we are grateful to record these noble gifts to the Orphanage, its constant enlargement requires a steadily increasing current fund. Bequests are usually put in some permanent memorial to the giver, and are never used to buy meat and bread for the children. That part of the work has always devolved on our churches and Sunday schools, and, please God, it may ever be so!

The greatest work of the Orphanage is in surrounding the children with a moral atmosphere and instructing them in spiritual things. A well organized Sunday school and church with their various departments such as Baraca and Philathea classes, missionary society, mission study classes, etc., furnish excellent facilities for the growth in knowledge and in the grace of giving, and above all pointing them to the Lamb of God who taketh away the sins of the world, is the supreme and crowning work of the institution.

About 40 per cent. of the current fund comes from the monthly collections in the Sunday schools and yet scarcely one-third of our North Carolina Baptist Sunday schools are giving these monthly collections. We strongly insist that every Sunday school in this Association fall in line with this very sensible proposition and thus swell the number of monthly givers to this great object.

Our churches are magnifying Thanksgiving Day as a time to make a liberal contribution to the Orphanage. We hope all our churches will duly observe this day. We would suggest that in many churches it is best to select a Sunday nearest Thanksgiving Day to hold this special service. This can be done to advantage on country fields. Do not neglect this offering. It gives the extra shove as we enter upon the winter months.

Charity and Children is itself a great contributor to the Orphanage. Every Sunday school ought to take a club of the paper and thus increase its circulation and usefulness. Special attention is called to our well equipped job plant.

W. HAYNES,
For Committee.

Report on Education presented by Rev. W. P. McCarter. Motion to adopt. Remarks by Rev. W. P. McCarter, Rev. J. A. Davis and Rev. J. C. Owen.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Education is drawing out or awakening the faculties of the mind to see a proposition from various angles.

There is a difference in training a man and educating him. The body may be trained to engage in some athletic game or sleight-of-hand performance, as a horse may be trained to perform his various duties at the command of his owner.

The training of the physical without the proper training of the mental and the spiritual, is to "make a man only a little more than a brute;" as the pugilist with his well developed physique, but without a proper spiritual and mental development, knows not how to use his strength for the glory of God. With an educated mind and properly developed spiritual faculties, he could so direct his physical powers that they would be a blessing to humanity and pleasing to a merciful Father.

From what has been said we see that the State is incapable of giving a complete, symmetrical education. The State is in most cases prepared to properly develop the body; it also trains the mind; but in many

cases it gives the mind the wrong kind of trainnig, causing many of our sons and our daughters to drift from the faith of their fathers. Consequently we see to properly and correctly educate our sons and daughters, we must maintain our schools and colleges with both our money and our children. We heartily recount such schools as Mars Hill, Fruitland Institute, our secondary schools; Wake Forest and Meredith for higher education. We commend our Southern Baptist Theological Seminary for our young ministers.

W. P. McCARTER,
W. C. McCONNELL.

Rev. W. Bradley submitted Historian's Report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

Since our last meeting the following changes have been made: Rev. C. E. Beaver has moved to Black Mountain and has charge of Black Mountain, Swannanoa, Mountain View and Berea. Rev. W. C. Cleveland is pastor at Gash's Creek and Reed's Chapel. Rev. J. L. Brown has resigned Avery's Creek, Bent Creek and Inanda; these churches are without a pastor. Rev. W. P. McCarter has charge of Antioch and Morgan Hill. Rev. R. H. Hipps has resigned Macedonia. Rev. G. P. Rice has resigned Big Ivy; they are also without a pastor. Rev. J. B. Grice now has charge of Bethel. Rev. W. H. Moore has charge of Biltmore, and Dr. Wambolt of Calvary.

Since our last meeting Rev. G. W. Gosnold has been called to his reward.

The Executive Committee has procured the services of Rev. W. W. Marr as evangelist of our Association, and his work has been a success. He has held meetings in quite a number of our churches and has witnessed 128 professions and has baptized 113 during the year. Our loss by death the past year is 33. The number of baptisms for the year is 246. There are 30 churches represented at this Association. The letters show most of the churches to be in a healthy condition. About 10 churches have failed to send representatives.

W. T. BRADLEY, Historian.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for Annual Sermon submitted their report. After discussion by F. M. Williams, Rev. J. M. Hilliard, J. T. Justice and Rev. W. T. Bradley, report was adopted.

TIME, PLACE AND ANNUAL PREACHER.

Your Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for Annual Sermon recommend Flat Creek Church, Tuesday after second Sunday in August, 1914; Rev. Calvin B. Waller to preach the introductory sermon, Rev. W. P. McCarter, alternate.

J. T. JUSTICE,
E. B. STRADLEY,
C. S. GENTRY.

Committee on Temperance not being present, report is to be approved by Executive Committee and printed.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on temperance wish to report that you have a great many things to be thankful for. We have on the statute books about

all the laws necessary to make prohibition as effectual as possible. In the several districts there is room for very little complaint. There is a great deal less drunkenness now than a few years ago. While the conditions in the city of Asheville are also greatly improved, there is yet more violation of the prohibition law and more drunkenness than should be. Our police justice is worthy of our hearty commendation for his efforts to secure the proper enforcement of the laws, and the chief of police with his force seem to be diligent in their efforts to suppress violation.

It seems that the violators of the prohibition laws have too much sympathy, if not co-operation of many who ought to do all in their power to see the laws properly enforced.

Your committee feels that if every professed Christian in the county would lend his active support to the laws, and open opposition to their violation, and extend hearty co-operation and encouragement to the officers and courts, that we would have little more to expect in the prohibition situation.

W. P. WHITTINGTON,
For the Committee.

R. B. Sams asked permission to prepare report on the State of the Churches, and have it incorporated in minutes after being approved by Executive Committee.

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

There are signs of improvement along all lines of our work in nearly all our churches, not so much as we had hoped, but enough to indicate that the spirit of awakening is permeating our entire body.

There was an increase in the number of baptisms which shows that the evangelical spirit is increasing. Nearly all churches show to have contributed something to nearly all benevolent objects. These are very hopeful signs.

With an every-member canvass in every church for general expenses and benevolences and the inauguration of a systematic method of giving regularly to all objects, we have good reason to expect our next year to be the best in our history.

Respectfully,
COMMITTEE.

The Treasurer submitted his report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

To Buncombe County Baptist Association:

Collected for Minutes	$ 40.00
Foreign Missions	42.80
Home Missions	23.54
State Missions	26.95
Association	2.00
Orphanage	26.67
Sunday Schools	4.00
Ministerial Education	5.00
Ministerial Relief	10.16
	$181.12

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. STONER.

Upon motion of F. M. Williams, the Association thanked J. M. Stoner for his long years of service.

F. M. Williams offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this body direct the Executive Committee to prepare and have printed 500 copies of a tentative programme for next year's meeting of the Association, copies to be mailed to the pastors' clerks and to the representatives who visit us, and that the remainder be on hand at the beginning of the first day's session for adoption and distribution.

Rev. G. P. Hamrick oeffred the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we earnestly recommend that every church in this Association have within the next 90 days an every-member canvass, to secure from each member some definite financial pledge for both current expenses and missions, to be paid at regular intervals during the year.

G. P. HAMRICK.

On motion to adopt the Hamrick resolution, remarks were made by Rev. J. E. Barnard, W. C. McConnell, Rev. J. C. Owen, Rev. W. W. Marr, Prof. Ruby and Rev. W. Haynes.

The Clerk offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the following brethren be designated as Associational representatives of the following conventional objects, and be requested to meet with the Executive Board in its sessions: Home Missions, G. D. Carter; State Missions, W. M. Hamrick; Foreign Missions, W. C. McConnell; Orphanage, W. O. Riddick; Sunday Schools, J. B. Grice, J. T. Justice, Jas. Morgan.

J. M. Stoner offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we extend a vote of thanks to the members of this church and others who are not members of this church, for their splendid hospitality in caring for the visitors and delegates of this meeting, praying God's richest bliss upon this church and community.

J. M. STONER.

Rev. W. Haynes moved that the Clerk have the usual number of minutes printed an dhave $10.00 for his services. Carried.

The Moderator announced Committee on Laymen's Movement. (See committees.)

After general discussion it was decided to have one hour of last day's session next year as "Pastor's Day," every pastor in Association to be heard from as to his problems.

Upon motion, adjourned to meet with Flat Creek Baptist Church, Tuesday, August 11, 1914, at 10:30 a. m. Benediction by Rev. W. T. Bradley.

R. B. SAMS,
Moderator.

E. B. STRADLEY, Clerk.

TABLE I—FINANCIAL

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairs.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	The Poor.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	
Antioch	$ 72.00	$ 64.70	$ 31.65	$ 21.75	$.....	$ 48.28	$ 12.50	$ 20.00	$ 20.80	$ 1.00	$ 13.60	$.....	$.....	$
Asheville (First)	3000.00	3497.90	6031.08	753.72	237.22	162.38	630.50	1034.32	1595.21	.....	714.69	.....	160.85	
*Avery Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	3.00	3.00	.50	5.00	.....	1.00	
Beaverdam	200.00	60.00	15.00	25.70	.....	48.36	19.27	34.20	57.19	3.00	34.74	.....	2.00	
Berea	100.00	.....	2.60	15.60	.....	28.00	12.00	12.50	12.00	.....	7.00	.....	.....	
Bethel	35.59	1.75	.....	16.72	.....	2.57	2.52	5.15	5.15	.65	5.68	.....	1.15	
Big Ivy	60.00	62.50	31.65	26.50	40.00	.....	11.00	11.20	10.00	.....	13.15	.....	.....	
Biltmore	1200.00	500.00	154.00	180.00	15.00	25.00	30.00	31.10	30.00	10.00	10.00	.....	5.00	
Blk. Mtn. (North)	50.00	.....	.....	6.42	.....	.....	1.75	1.75	1.75	.....	2.50	.....	.....	
Blk. Mtn. (South)	.....	56.35	78.50	30.12	.....	.....	17.00	18.07	3.00	.....	21.50	.....	.....	
Calvary	1000.00	275.00	175.87	.....	.....	.....	75.00	80.00	75.00	.....	120.00	5.00	.....	
Chestnut Grove	35.00	102.00	.....	7.10	10.00	2.50	2.50	2.50	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	
Elk Mountain	85.00	200.00	.....	30.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	.....	9.65	.....	.....	
Fairview	700.00	200.00	50.00	30.00	18.00	.....	100.00	30.00	45.00	3.00	75.00	5.00	2.50	
Flat Creek	66.00	.....	22.60	9.00	8.00	21.95	7.50	7.50	10.00	1.00	16.90	.....	1.00	
Gash's Creek	150.00	122.02	8.05	23.27	8.47	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	.....	12.00	.....	.....	
Hominy	97.92	.....	14.00	30.39	.....	.....	5.50	5.50	11.00	.....	11.50	.....	.....	
Inanda	14.00	.....	.....	6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.00	.....	.....	
Jupiter	35.00	60.00	.....	10.00	20.00	.....	7.00	7.00	5.95	1.00	7.50	.....	2.00	
Liberty	63.40	.....	.....	28.11	.....	5.00	5.00	8.00	5.00	.50	7.50	.....	1.00	
*Mountain View	100.00	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	2.00	2.69	4.69	.....	6.39	.....	.....	
Macedonia	60.00	.....	.....	8.00	.....	13.50	6.20	7.10	4.61	.....	19.00	.....	.....	
Morgan Hill	36.00	.....	26.00	12.00	.....	.....	.....	6.00	6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Mt. Carmel	180.00	22.15	.41	29.70	.....	35.13	10.00	16.00	21.00	2.00	40.75	.....	1.00	
New Morgan Hill	20.00	.....	6.25	26.00	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	5.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	
Pleasant Hill	40.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.50	.....	.....	
Pleasant Grove	130.00	.....	.....	5.00	18.00	.....	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	.....	1.00	
Reed's Chapel	50.00	.....	2.00	11.50	7.20	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	9.97	.....	.....	
*Spring Mountain	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Swannanoa	.....	16.00	32.45	7.00	2.44	.....	15.00	6.50	2.50	.....	4.00	.....	.....	
W. End, Asheville	1105.00	96.45	303.41	91.65	26.70	.....	104.00	55.00	50.00	5.00	108.42	55.00	5.00	
*Mount Olive	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
	$8714.91	$5336.82	$6985.52	$1451.25	$416.03	$406.67	$1113.24	$1429.08	$2002.85	$28.65	$1297.94	$65.00	$183.50	$

*No delegates in attendance.

TABLE II—STATISTICAL

TOR.	POSTOFFICE.	CLERK.	POSTOFFICE.	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	No. of Males.	No. of Females.	Total Membership.
P. McCarter	Mars Hill	C. S. Gentry	Democrat	3	$ 1,200	400	37	8	2	8	..	..	78	106	184
. Waller...	Asheville	J. A. Edgerton...	Asheville	Every S	85,000	1,800	54	122	4	40	5	4	....	....	1,386
.....	.....	S. O. Ingram.....	Arden	.....	200	400	1	1	...	1	..	1	17	24	41
T. Bradley.	Stockville	E. P. Stradley...	Asheville, No. 1.	2, 4	1,400	300	5	2	1	....	..	1	28	29	57
. Beaver...	Black Mountain..	J. A. Cordell.....	Swannanoa	2	1,800	400	11	...	...	....	..	1	31	40	71
. Grice....	Asheville	Earle Gooch	Asheville, No. 3..	2, 4	500	300	2	6	...	....	4	2	22	34	56
.....	.....	Mrs. Z.V. Greene.	Biltmore, No. 3..	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	..	..	8	18	26
.....	.....	Jas.M.Greenwood	Barnardsville	2	3,700	500	...	2	1	13	5	5	58	67	125
. Beaver...	Black Mountain..	J. H. Denny.....	Black Mountain..	1, 3	3,000	300	5	9	1	11	..	1	31	43	74
. Riddle...	Pensacola	Ellis Burleson ..	Rock View	4	800	300	1	...	...	6	..	1	39	48	87
.....	.....	W. T. Bradley...	Beech	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	..	..	50	40	90
I. Wambolt	Asheville, No. 3..	C. M. Lineberry.	Asheville, No. 3..	Every S	3,500	200	7	19	1	4	..	2	72	132	204
. Riddle...	Pensacola	Harley Burleson.	Dillingham	4	1,000	400	9	...	2	5	9	2	28	39	67
Bradley..	Marshall, No. 5..	J. H. Carter.....	Asheville, No. 5..	4	200	.....	3	5	...	2	..	3	41	47	88
. Phillips..	Fairview	R. A. Morgan....	Fairview	Every S	3,000	400	20	1	...	14	..	4	133	188	321
T. Bradley.	Stockville	M. B. Spivy.....	Stockville	1	1,000	400	3	3	...	9	1	4	58	87	145
Jarvis....	Leicester	Levi Clark	Candler	1	2,500	500	...	...	...	5	..	1	54	76	130
.....	.....	T. H. Byers.....	Biltmore. No. 3..	.....	1,300	300	1	5	...	....	..	..	....	....	40
oberts.....	Marshall	W. W. Crowder.	Alexander	4	1,200	300	...	...	...	4	..	..	36	35	71
. Hamrick.	Asheville	L. W. Young....	Candler	4	100	250	...	...	...	1	1	1	24	47	71
. Beaver...	Black Mountain..	T. L. Burnett....	Black Mountain..	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	..	..	45	51	96
. Hipps...	Spring Creek ...	H. G. Rymer.....	Alexander, No. 1.	4	600	400	15	4	...	....	..	..	45	56	96
P. McCarter	Mars Hill	S. W. Lewellyn..	Stockville	4	1,500	500	10	30	4	1	..	2	81	90	171
Grice.....	Asheville	M. D. Redman...	Asheville, No. 4..	1, 3	1,000	500	15	8	...	1	..	1	55	68	123
.....	.....	A. E. Randall....	Asheville, No. 2..	.....	350	75	...	...	...	...	..	..	18	20	38
Morgan..	Candler	S. L. Morgan....	Candler	3	.....	150	...	...	...	...	..	..	12	18	30
. Corn....	.....	J. A. Ramsey....	Alexander	.....	.....	.....	1	3	...	...	..	..	....	....	98
. Phillips..	Fairview	Eli Garren	Fairview	4	1,000	300	29	7	7	10	9	..	33	35	68
. Cleveland	Biltmore	A. T. Davidson..	Biltmore	Every S	1,000	200	...	...	...	....	2	1	10	28	38
.....	.....	W. J. Silvers....	Weaverville	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	..	..	22	14	36
. Walls...	Gerton	J. B. Guffey.....	Fairview	1	600	300	...	2	...	4	..	..	15	17	32
Beaver...	Black Mountain .	J. M. Lewis.....	Swannanoa	2	1,000	250	...	15	3	2	5	1	24	43	67
. Hamrick.	Asheville	L. M. Revis.....	Asheville	Every S	5,000	800	24	6	5	13	4	3	84	169	253
. Cleveland	Biltmore	R. C. Sales.....	Skyland, No. 1...	Every S	4,000	500	1	4	...	2	..	1	37	59	96
H. Moore..	Biltmore	F. C. Lackman...	Biltmore	Every S	5,500	500	11	19	2	1	..	2	62	95	157
				.....	$135,950	11,925	265	281	31	157	45	44	....	....	4,733

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Church.	Superintendent.	Postoffice.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total Enrollment.	No. of Schools.	Months kept open.	Average Attendance.	No. of Baptisms.	Contributions for Missions, Orphanage, Etc.	School Expenses.	Total Contributions.
Antioch	J. H. Woodward	Democrat	12	.....	.....	1	12	67	...	$ 28.00	$ 21.75	$ 24.55
Asheville, First	C. S. Davis	Asheville	74	1,562	1,636	5	12	761	46	1,086.10	753.72	1,839.82
Beaverdam	W. B. Scarborough	Asheville, No. 1	7	58	65	1	12	45	4	55.93	25.70	81.63
Bethel	J. H. Mordis	Asheville, No. 3	7	59	66	1	12	.....	...	45.31	16.72	62.03
Berea	J. A. Cordell	Swannanoa	5	40	45	1	12	25	9	13.00	15.00	28.60
Big Ivy	D. W. Shuford	Barnardsville	12	150	162	1	12	101	...	.....	26.50	26.50
Biltmore	J. M. Brookshire	Biltmore	8	175	183	1	12	140	7	60.00	180.00	240.00
Blk Mtn. (North)	E. W. Haynes	Rock View	7	44	51	1	18	32	22	.....	6.42	6.42
Blk. Mtn. (South)	Jos. Kinsey	Black Mountain	10	80	90	1	12	63	5	34.51	30.12	64.63
Calvary	H. A. Brown	Asheville, No. 3	27	250	277	1	12	141	...	130.00	175.87	305.87
Chestnut Grove	Thos. King	Dillingham	7	.....	.....	..	12	75	7	7.00	7.10	14.10
Elk Mountain	J. G. McElrath	Asheville, No. 5	7	118	125	1	12	73	1	12.50	30.00	42.50
Fairview	J. R. Grant	Fairview	24	351	375	3	12	278	20	30.00	35.00	65.00
Flat Creek	M. B. Spivy	Weaverville	7	118	125	1	12	38	1	12.07	9.00	21.07
Gash's Creek	T. J. Ingle	Swannanoa	8	105	113	1	12	78	1	.....	23.27	23.27
Hominy	L. S. Clark	Candler	8	60	68	1	12	32	...	.....	30.39	30.39
Inanda	Eug. Brown	Candler	6	68	74	1	12	.....	...	.....	6.00	6.00
Jupiter	E. A. Roberts	Alexander, No. 2.	6	65	71	1	12	35	...	4.00	6.00	12.00
Liberty	W. W. Greene	Candler	11	37	48	1	12	35	...	8.85	28.11	36.96
Macedonia	H. G. Rymer	Alexander No. 1	7	60	67	1	12	50	...	.....	8.00	8.00
Mountain View	Cordie Burnett	Black Mountain	8	40	48	1	12	35	...	.....	10.00	10.00
Morgan Hill	J. J. Ammons	Mars Hill	7	60	67	1	12	50	...	.....	8.00	8.00
Mt. Carmel	W. T. Willis	Asheville, No. 2.	10	90	100	1	12	75	3	39.00	29.70	68.70
Mt. Olive	Riley Stewart	Asheville, No. 4	4	18	22	..	...	.....	...	.....	3.60	3.60
New M'gan Hill	Corlesso Creasman	Candler	7	64	71	1	12	.....	...	.....	26.00	26.00
Pleasant Grove	Burton Morgan	Fairview	5	60	65	1	12	40	20	.....	5.00	5.00
Pleasant Hill	.....	Alexander	...	30	.....	1	...	20	...	.....	.....	.....
Reed's Chapel	J. J. Harris	Biltmore	4	77	81	1	12	59	...	11.97	11.50	23.47
Spring Mountain	S. W. Guffey	Fairview	5	40	45	2	6	40	...	.....	.....	.....
Swannanoa	L. B. Buchanan	Swannanoa	8	60	68	1	12	45	...	4.00	7.00	11.00
West End (Ashe.)	B. G. Hayes	Asheville	15	318	333	1	12	181	22	124.32	71.65	195.97

Society.	President.	Secretary.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Self-Denial Offering.	Christmas Offering.	Training School.	Total.
Senior Circle, 1st Ch., Asheville..	Miss Sue Salinas.....	Miss Mary Baird.....	$380.20	$162.00	$ 60.00	$.....	$ 22.57	$.....	$ 624.77
Garnering Circle, 1st Ch., Ashev.	Mrs. Edwin McKay.....	Mrs. Bramlett	95.75	240.00	77.00	22.25	31.50	8.00	474.50
South Asheville	Mrs. C. A. Klutz.....	Miss Frankie Else.....	14.02	9.88	.....	.....	2.25	.....	26.15
North Asheville	Mrs. W. D. Harris.....	Miss Ida Haynes.....	13.55	28.86	8.65	11.10	7.70	.....	69.86
West End	Mrs. F. O. Cox.....	Mrs. J. A. Groves.....	.....	.....	12.79	.....	.....	.....	12.79
Calvary	Mrs. M. M. Wambolt...	Miss Annie Logan.....	10.00	1.75	10.00	6.75	.....	2.85	31.35
Beaverdam	Mrs. C. E. Carter.....	Miss Mary Stradley.....	11.50	.....	19.00	16.50	14.25	.....	61.25
Biltmore	Mrs. C. E. Groves.....	Miss Merta Brevard....	5.00	6.10	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	21.10
Berea	Mrs. Mary Alexander...	Mrs. Mary Alexander...	12.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	17.10
Fairview	Mrs. N. B. Phillips.....	Miss Lettie McAbee....	14.75	4.85	20.00	5.15	5.25	.....	50.00
S. Black Mountain.....	Mrs. T. W. Ingle.....	Mrs. L. B. Hudgins.....	3.00	8.00	6.00	.....	3.00	.....	20.00
		Total.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$1,408.77

Junior Societies.

Y. W. A.									
First Church, Asheville.....	Miss Mae McFee.....	Miss Eula Wright.....	$126.50	$ 67.93	$107.50	$ 40.00	$ 35.55	$ 21.15	$ 398.63
South Asheville	Miss Grace Smith.....	Miss Ada Beck.....	26.00	12.00	10.00	9.04	10.45	8.00	75.49
Calvary	Mrs. W. E. Logan.....	Miss Annie Logan.....	10.00	1.75	10.50	2.00	.....	2.15	25.90
Biltmore	Miss Myrtle Miller.....	Miss Sue Creasman.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sunbeams.	**Leaders.**								
First Church, Asheville.....	Mrs. J. N. Lee.....	Bessie Landreth	9.25	8.21	12.05	.....	.....	29.51	59.02
North Asheville	Mrs. J. N. Lee.....	Mamie Brown	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00
West End	Mrs. F. O. Cox.....	Edith Pugh	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Calvary	Miss Mabel Starnes.....	Sarah Penney	.....	.80	.....	1.90	.....	.....	2.70
Fairview	Mrs. P. O. Merrell.....	Clara Melton	6.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.50
Royal Ambassadors.									
First Church, Asheville.....	Miss Frances Smith....	Loraine Hamilton	54.89	11.00	12.42	16.02	1.00	.....	95.33
West End	Mr. F. O. Cox.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Calvary	Mrs. H. A. Brown.....	Ed Winslow	.....	.60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.60
Fairview	Mrs. J. L. Ashworth....	Porter Freeman	1.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.75
		Total.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	666.02

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT FOR 1913-14.

Churches.	State and Associational Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Aged Ministers.	Total
sheville, First	$ 900.00	$ 900.00	$1,500.00	$ 25.00	$ 700.00	$ 185.00	$ 25.00	$4,235.00
ntioch	25.00	20.00	55.00	1.00	10.00	1.00	1.00	104.00
very's Creek	3.00	3.00	3.00	.50	5.00	1.00	1.00	16.50
eaverdam	50.00	50.00	50.00	3.00	35.00	3.00	2.50	193.50
erea	15.00	10.00	20.00	1.00	7.00	2.00	1.00	56.00
ent Creek	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	7.50	1.00	1.00	17.50
ethel	7.50	7.50	7.50	1.00	7.50	3.00	1.00	35.00
iltmore	50.00	50.00	50.00	5.00	75.00	5.00	3.01	238.00
ig Ivy	15.00	15.00	10.00	5.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	58.00
lk. Mtn (North)...	3.00	3.00	3.50	1.00	2.50	2.00	1.00	16.00
lk. Mtn. (South)...	11.00	5.00	10.00	1.00	7.00	2.00	1.00	36.00
rown's Chapel	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	2.50	1.00	1.00	12.50
alvary	80.00	90.00	85.00	5.00	125.00	15.00	10.00	410.00
lk Mountain	5.00	7.00	7.50	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	27.50
airview	100.00	50.00	50.00	5.00	75.00	5.00	2.50	287.50
lat Creek	10.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	20.00	2.00	1.00	54.00
ash's Creek	15.00	15.00	15.00	2.00	15.00	3.00	2.00	67.00
lominy	15.00	15.00	15.00	2.00	15.00	2.00	1.00	65.00
anda	3.00	3.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	21.00
upiter	7.50	7.50	10.00	1.00	8.00	2.00	1.00	37.00
iberty	10.00	8.00	6.00	1.00	8.00	2.00	1.00	36.00
lacedonia	7.50	7.50	7.50	1.00	8.00	2.00	1.00	34.50
lorgan Hill	7.00	7.00	7.00	1.00	6.00	3.00	1.00	32.00
lt. Carmel	15.00	15.00	20.00	2.00	44.00	2.00	2.00	100.00
lt. Olive	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	2.50	1.00	1.00	12.50
ew Salem	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	2.50	1.00	1.00	12.50
ew Morgan Hill....	6.00	6.00	6.00	1.00	6.00	2.00	1.00	28.00
leasant Grove	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	23.00
leasant Hill	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	2.50	2.00	1.00	13.50
eed's Chapel	10.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	15.00	2.00	1.00	49.00
eems Creek	2.50	2.50	2.50	1.00	2.50	2.00	1.00	14.00
pring Mountain	2.00	2.00	3.00	1.00	2.50	2.00	1.00	13.50
wannanoa	3.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	2.50	2.00	1.00	15.50
hestnut Grove	3.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	2.50	2.00	1.00	15.50
lountain View	3.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	19.00
Vest End	85.00	55.00	55.00	5.00	100.00	7.50	5.00	312.50

CONSTITUTION

Article I.—Name.

This Association shall be known as Buncombe County Baptist Association.

Article II.—Objects.

The objects of this Association shall be:

1. To elicit, combine and direct the energies of the Baptists of Buncombe County in one sacred effort to encourage and promote the propagation of the Gospel within our bounds.

2. To foster and promote, under the auspices of the Baptist State Convention, the cause of State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, Orphanage, Sunday-School and Colportage, Old Ministers' Relief and Temperance.

3. This Association disclaims to exercise lordship over the churches or to have any power which entitles it to infringe upon the internal rights of any of the churches composing it.

Article III.—Constituency.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent by each Baptist Church in Buncombe County, who shall be duly recommended by letter from the Church to which they belong; provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is so situated as to make it more convenient from natural causes to belong to this body shall be entitled to membership and representation in this Association.

Section 2.—Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members exceeding twenty-five.

Sec. 3.—Name of no delegate shall appear in the Minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

Article IV.

Section 1.—The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian.

Sec. 2.—All the officers shall be elected annually immediately after the reading of the church letters and the enrollment of the delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the other officers in any way the Association may direct.

Sec. 3.—It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at all meetings of the body, and keep order in accordance with Mell's Manual Parliamentary Practice.

It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to preside in the absence of the Moderator.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of this body in a business-like manner, to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes of the Association, and to turn them over to his successor.

It shall be the duty of Treasurer to receive all funds belonging to the Association, and to pay them out to the objects for which they were collected.

It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep a record of such items as would be of interest to a future Historian, to preserve the same in a book. He shall also keep a file of the Minutes.

Article V.—Committees.

At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees, whose duty it shall be to report at the next annual meeting: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State of the Churches, Orphanage, Sunday Schools, Temperance, Woman's Work, Order of Business, Time and Place and Annual Sermon for the Next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

It shall be the duty of the committees to report in writing on the subjects given them.

Article VI.

The Association shall at each annual meeting appoint an Executive Board to consist of the officers of the Association and three judicious and active brethren; three of whom shall constitute a quorum. All pastors shall be associate members of the Board.

The Executive Board shall superintend the mission work in the county, and carry out the resolutions and orders of the Association during its recess.

This Board shall be empowered to fill all vacancies which may occur during the year.

Article VII.—Church Letters.

The letters from the churches shall give the following information: name of church and date of organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in its membership and their postoffices; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded, number of deaths during the year; time of meet-

ings; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, education, orphanage, Sunday school and for any other objects.

Report of Sunday school will show the name of the Superintendent and Secretary with their postoffices, number enrolled, average attendance during the year, amount paid for the support of the Sunday school and for benevolent objects.

Article VIII.

This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual Parliamentary Practice.

Article IX.

This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article X.

Whenever the Minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI.

This Association may carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

MINUTES

OF THE

Thirty-third Annual Session

OF THE

BUNCOMBE COUNTY
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OF

NORTH CAROLINA

HELD WITH

FLAT CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

August 11, 12 and 13, 1914

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Brown, A. E. D. D. ..... Asheville
Beaver C. E. ..... Black Mountain
Barnard, J. E. ..... Asheville
Branson, R. M. ..... "
Barnwell G. L. ..... "
Bradley W. T. ..... Stockville
Cleveland W. C. ..... Asheville
Duckett, Rex U. ..... "
Grice J. B. ..... "
Haynes W. ..... Asheville No. 1
Jenkins M. A. D. D. ..... " " 3
" Edward ..... Biltmore
Morgan E. J. ..... Candler
" S. J. Jr. ..... Biltmore
" E. W. ..... Asheville
" S. J. Sr. ..... Stockville
Marr W. W. ..... Biltmore
Miller C. S. ..... Black Mountain
McCarter W. P. ..... Democrat
Orr O. L. ..... Asheville
Owen J C. ..... "
Phillips N. B. ..... Fair View
Pace J. R. ..... Ridgecrest
Pickens J. M. ..... Alexander
Proffitt M. S. ..... Stockville
Plemmons Jas. ..... Candler
Robertson W. P. ..... Barnardsville
Sluder M. M. ..... Asheville No. 4
Wamboth M. M. D. D. ..... Asheville No. 3
Waller Calvin B, D. D. ..... Asheville

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A. E. Brown D. D., J. M. Stoner, Calvin B. Waller D. D., Rev. W. W. Marr, Rev. W. T. Bradley, M. W. Hamrick, E. B. Stradley, Rev. J. E. Barnard, Meets in Dr. Browns office, American National Bank upon call of the secretary.

COMMITTEES FOR 1915

Foreign Missions..... Rev. J. E. Barnard
Home Missions..... W. C. McConnell
State and Associational Missions..... Rev. W. P. McCarter
Orphanage..... W. O. Riddick
State of the Church..... Rev. W. W. Marr
Sunday Schools..... G. D. Carter
Periodicals..... Rev. W. Haynes
Education..... W. H. Hipps
Temperance..... W. P. Whittington
Laymens Movement..... B. G. Hayes
B. Y. P. U ..... Rev. J. B. Grice

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REV. W. T. BRADLEY, Vice-Moderator ..... Stocksville, N. C.
E. B. STRADLEY, Clerk ..... Asheville, N. C.
M. W. HAMRICK, Treasurer ..... Asheville, N. C.
REV. W. W. MARR, Historian ..... Biltmore, N. C.

The next session will be held with Hominy Baptist Church beginning Tuesday after second Sunday in August, 1915. R. R. Station, Candler.

The Thirty Third Annual Sesson of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with the Flat Creek Baptist Church August 11-12-12-1914. Called to order by the Moderator R. B. Sams.

Devotional Exercises conducted by Rev. A. E. Brown, D. D. reading the 27th chapter of John.

The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. Calvin B. Waller D. D subject, The Surrendered Life.

The moderator appointed A. I. Ruby, S. P. Davis and Rev. W. W. Marr reading Clerks.

Adjourned for Dinner.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Letters read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Asheville First church; Rev. C. B. Waller, D. D., A. I. Ruby; J. T. Justice, W. C. McConnell, J. M. Stoner, J. C. Gentry, W. O. Riddick, Mrs. J. T. Justice, Mrs. W. C. McConnell, Mrs. W. O. Riddick, G. F. Stradley and Mrs. G. F. Stradley.

Asheville Calvary; W. E. Logan, Rev, A. E. Brown, D. D. J. L. Welch, Mrs. W. E. Logan, Miss Annie Logan.

Asheville West End; O. L. Orr, B. G. Hayes, W. H. Martindale, Mrs. B. G. Hayes J. B. Grice.

Avery's Creek; J. H. Arwood.

Antioch; W. P. McCarter, W. T. Bradley, J. H. Woodward, T. C. Morgan, E. B. Goldsmith, J. J. Greenwood, M. S. Proffett.

Beaver Dam; F. H. Kuykendall, W. B. Scarborough and E. B. Stradley.

Bent Creek; Frank Hayes.

Berea; J. A. Cordell.

Bethel; J. A. Goforth.

A. J. Proffitt, W. W. Goock.

Big Ivey; Rev. W. P. Robertson.

Brown's Chapel; S. A. Bradley, L. D. Maney.

Black Mountain South; P. C. Searcy, J. B. Holcombe and W. B. Dillingham.

Black Mountain South—W. H. Haynes, Gus Williams.

Biltmore; Rev. W. W. Marr, Rev. Edw. Jenkins, W. W. Hamrick, Mrs, W. W. Marr, Miss Juneta Brevard, Sue Creasman, Jessie Creasman, Inez Marr.

Chestnut Grove; Harley Burleson, Verge Hensley and J. O. Brigman.

Elk Mountain; R. N. Bronson, J. B. Gasnell.

Fair View; Clarence Mitchell, Virgil Merrill, Cecil Merrill, R. A. Morgan, P. H. Hutchinson, Hillard Spivy, Mrs. O. E. Mitchell and Miss Grace Spivy.

Flat Creek; J. H. Sams, W. H. Roberson, W. S. Roberts, C. D. Williams and J. M. Doan.

Gashes Creek; W. L. Hart.

Hominy; M. H. Morgan, Jones H. Morgan, Spurgeon Owen, C. C. Morgan, and J. H. Morgan.

Inanda; J. D. Ledford.

Jupiter; L. S. Roberts and H. G. McLean.

Liberty; J. R. Sawyer

Macedonia; J. G. Rymer, E. Sluder and Pink Wright.

Morgan Hill; J. N. Morgan, Joe Morgan, J. S. Ball, R. P. Lewellyn, E. Y. Gentry and Lee Morgan.

Mt. Carmel; Leroy Brookshire, Merritt Sluder, Eaton Ramsey, T. M. Rymer.

New Morgan Hill; E. J. Morgan.

Pleasant Grove; J. B. Reed.

Reed Chapel; J. J. Harris.

Swannanoa; L. B. Buchanan.

White Rock; Collier Morgan.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

J. M. Stoner, Moderator: W. T. Bradley, Vice-Moderator; E. B. Stradley, Clerk; W. H. Hamrick, Treas.: W. W. Marr, Historian.

Petitions for admission to membership were received from French Broad Avenue Baptist Church Ridgeway Baptist church and Ridgecrest Baptist church and referred to following committee. Rev. W. T. Bradley, J. T. Justice and G. D. Carter.

The chair recognized the following visitors: E. L. Middleton, S. S. Sec'y.; F. B. Hamrick, Orphanage; W. R. Johnson, Wake Forest College; J. M. Hilliard, Piedmont Assn. John McConnell of North Greenville Assn. of S. C.

The committee on new churches recommend their admission to the body, and the following were given the right hand of fellowship, as follows: French Broad Avenue Baptist church; J. E. Barnard, G. D. Carter R. B. Sams, H. E. Thompson, S. P. Davis, J. F. Simms, Percy Carter, Mrs. S. P. Davis, Mrs. H. E. Thompson and Mrs. John E. Barnard.

Ridgeway Baptist church; J. M. Young and R. S. Sorrels.

Ridgecrest Baptist church; J. R. Pace and J. M. Lewis.

Rev. A. E. Brown recommended the following Order of Business.

Tuesday—2: 45 p. m., Sunday Schools.
3: 15 p. m., Home Missions

Wednesday—9: 00 a. m., Miscellaneous.
9: 30 a. m., Periodicals.
10: 30 a. m., Home Missions.
11: 00 a. m., State Missions,
Adjournment.

Wednesday—1: 00 p. m., Miscellaneous.
1: 15 p. m., Foreign Missions.
2: 15 p. m., Education.
3: 15 p. m., Womans Work.

Thursday—9: 00 a. m., Devotional Exercises.
9: 15 a. m., B. Y. P. U
9: 45 a. m., Orphanage.
10: 15 a. m., Laymens Movement.
10: 45 a. m. Temperance.

11: 00 a. m., Historian.
11: 30 a. m., Miscellaneous.
11: 45 a. m., Time Place.
Annual Sermon.

Rev. A. E. Rrown read the report of the Executive Committee. The matter of the deficit due the County Evangelist is referred to the following Committee: J. B. Grise, Dr. Waller and J. N. Morgan.

SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REPORTS OF EVANGELIST 1913-14.

MONTHS	MEETINGS HELD AT	Days of service	Sermons.	Conversions.	Baptisms.	Amount Received.	Books sold.	Value of Books.
August	Mt. Carmel Bethel Hominy	31	63	35	15	$65 17		$
September	New Morgan Hill Big Ivey	16	29	12	4	13 35		
October	West End	1				10 00		
November	Pleasant Grove Mud Creek Laurel Bluff	31	60	43	41	102 37	62	
December	Beaverdam	13	27	18	3	40 01	7	2 25
January	Elk Mountain Inanda	27	32	19	3	31 07		
February	Inanda	22	29	23	14	20 63	31	4 00
March	Flat Creek	31	70	57	27	65 04	19	2 70
April	Little River	16	32	1	0	18 85	24	3 45
May	Woodfin Hill	16	16	0	0	33 49	8	1 90
June	Gash's Creek	7	10	0	0	22 12		
July	Big Ivy	17	34	20	10	45 78		

REPORT ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Dear Brethren:

We herewith submit in tabulated form the work of Rev. W. W Marr as Associational Evangelist. This is the only work your Executive Committee has done during the year.

Our contract with Brother Marr was for $1000 a year, the State Mission Board agreeing to pay one-third of this, and the only source we had to look to for the other two-thirds was the churches of the Association. There was a balance due the Evangelist carried over from last year, and the collections from the meetings not being sufficient to meet the expenses, at the March meeting of the Executive Committee Brother Marr released us from further obligation for our two-thirds, taking the field for that amount, but the Executive Committee had already incurred obligations on his salary amounting to $123.95. This amount we have borrowed expecting the Association to make some arrangement at this session for paying it.

The report of the Evangelist will show that he has been diligent in his work and that results have been gratifying.

He was hindered from work during September on account of illness of his wife, hence the meager report as shown in the October column.

We have carried out the instructions of the Association to the best of our ability, and conducted the affairs as wisely and economically as we could, and we trust the Association will make provision for the payment of the balance due the Evangelist so that our successors may begin the new year with a clean slate.

J. E. BARNARD, President.

A. E. BROWN, Secretary.

Report on Sunday Schools was submitted by Rev. A. I. Ruby. Upon motion to adopt the association was addressed by E. L. Middleton, Sunday School Secretary of the State Mission Board.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Report on Sunday Schools read before the Buncombe County Association August 11, 1914.

It is a source of great joy to Sunday school workers to see each year more and more emphasis laid by the church on its educational work. The day when the term "the church and Sunday school," when "Sunday school" is used in contra-distinction to "the church," will soon be passed and the church will recognize in fullest measure that its business of evangelization must be consistently followed by the business of training, distinctive preaching must be followed by careful teaching and both will be the business of the church.

And yet the facts of last year in Buncombe county are before us. Notwithstanding the fact that every church member should be in the Sunday school as pupil, teacher or officer and besides there should be children who are too young for church membership and others who as yet have joined no church, the enrollment in the Sunday schools was one-hundred-seventy-two less than the total membership of the churches and the average attendance was but little more than half the total membership of the churches.

The recent agitation of our Sunday School Field Workers for distinctive organized Senior and Adult classes, if heartily entered into by our

Sunday schools, ought to do a large part in correcting these conditions. Bring the men and women, the young men and young women into our Sunday schools and you have gone a long way towards solving the problem of securing and holding the boy and girl.

Your committee respectfully urge that the churches of Buncombe County Association co-operate in the fullest possible measure with our State and Board Sunday school workers, by contributing more largely to the support of Sunday School Missions and by agitating and perfecting the organization of the Convention classes for men and women and thru them working to bring the whole church membership into the Sunday school where it undoubtedly belongs.

Respectfully submitted,

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Wednesday 9: 00 a. m., Devotional Exercises conducted by Rev. J. M. Hilliard, reading 34th Psalm.

9: 15 time for report on Periodicals, the committee being absent. Remarks were made on the Biblical Recorder by Rev. W. R. Beach and E. L. Middleton.

Report on Home Missions was read by B. G. Hayes.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The crises this world is facing today is almost beyond comprehension. Six of the leading nations in Europe now engaged in what seems to be the most terrible war known to history; Reported insurrection in China; Great unrest in practically every nation on the globe, in fact it is the most wonderful age in which man has ever lived. It therefore behooves us to put forth every effort possible to interest man religiously.

It has been wisely said that man is now emerging from the catapillar to the butterfly. We very vividly realize this when we learn of the marvelous achievements of man in becoming a fly.animal. When we think what a wonderful transformation society will undergo, when, in the next few years our whole form of existence will be revolutionized by the universal use of the airships as a means of transportation, our imaginative powers are indeed unequal to the task.

We will complete the Panama Canal next year, the most stupendious enterprise of all history. With its completion the millions of emigrants that now flood our northern cities will be turned loose largely in our southland. Therefore it goes without saying we must meet these millions of humanity with the love of a just God as is told in the tragedy of the cross, emphasized in such a compelling way that they cannot reject.

Roman Catholicism is openly boasting its purpose to take America. It cannot succeed except by flooding our county with ignorant immigrants. Rome and Intelligence cannot long live together. Therefore its enmity to the Public schools, also its fight for unrestricted immigration. We can meet this Religio-Political power by bringing the immigrants to Christ. Eternal watchfulness is the price of religious as well as civil liberty. Our country today is facing the most stupendous social and political problems

we have ever faced. Problems that are world wide in their greatness. Our whole social system is being shaken beyond the expectation of the most severe critic. Violent outbreaks of lawlessness, emphasized with the "Boom and Torch," launched by trouble agitators under the guise of labor leaders, and when these agitators are met half way with Captains of industry who are more concerned about increasing their bank balance than the elevation if man, we do not wonder at the horrifying results.

Such conditions as have existed in coal fields of W. Virginia for the last few years; the civil war that has caused the state of Colorado to bow her proud head in shame; violent outbreaks in the coal fields of Arkansas; strikes and disorder in some of the South Carolina cotton mills; and numerous other uncalled for outbreakes of unrest' make us tremble at times with fear that the very liberty guaranteed us by our constitution is at stake.

These conditions as yet have not come home to us in the most beautiful and most picturesque spot in our country, but with the turn of immigration Southland at the completion of the Panama Canal we sometimes fear the worst. We have found by close observance that the religious belief of numbers of men are being shaken. We find certain elements of men wholly dissatisfied with their present surroundings, apparently losing confidence in everything. Some critics are telling us in volumes now being circulated over our country that ecclesiasticism is on the decline. They face you with statistics that are apalling. These statements you may say are no cause for alarm, but to say the least of them there is a cause for their having been made.

With these conditions existing in our country we very readily conclude that deep and well thought out planning must be done to meet them. Men must be first elevated socially before we can hope progress religiously. It is a well established fact that we can best reach a man by first administering to his temperal wants, make him first a normal human being then he can and will readily respond religiously.

To meet these conditions we must have men who are well founded in the knowledge of God's word; men who are are wholly consecrated to God and the uplift of humanity; with a thorough knowledge of conditions, and a personal acquaintance with our blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

One of our gravest obligations is to the negro of the southland. The race problem is not a polittcal but a religious one. We can best solve the problem by telling him the love of God as it was told on Calvary.

It is indeed lamentable to see the report on the condition and need of church buildings. Seven thousand nine hundred and ninety nine churches in the Southern Baptist convention need aid in erecting adequate houses of worship. These conditions are being largely assisted by the loan fund, which is now about one million dollars.

The greatest question that confronts the Southland today is child slavery. We do not wonder at the appalling condition of society so long as we tolerate the continuence of making machinery of our children. To

correct this intolerable evil, we only have to do our duty as citizens.

Notwithstanding the unparalleled conditions we are now facing we find our work progressing to a commendable degree. Our convention this year reports the most successful year we have ever enjoyed.

The following figures are very encouraging.

	1913	1914
Conversions	6,650	9,502
Baptisms	4,917	8,414
Additions Otherwise	2,089	3,834
Total	13,656	21,750

The advance in profession is forty percent, in baptism is seventy four per cent.

Reviewing the whole work of the year, we are filled with gratitude. Even the debt reported this year, though it weighs heavily, does not depress our enthusiasm.

Our day of destiny has come. The land is ours if we but take it. The future greatness of the south is largely in the hands of Southern Baptist, and what we do in the next few years, will decide largely what we shall be for centuries to come.

Our supreme task is the enlisting of our forces for the worthy undertaking.

The home mission board apprortionment for the South this year is $461,250 for our State is $40,000.

Every dollar, and more is needed, if the board is to provide for the most urgent necessities in the various departments of the work.

We recommend First. That the apportionments for our association be apportionel among the churches and each church urged to raise the entire amount.

Second. That pastors and workers urge the members to subscribe for Home Missions literature, and that tracts be secured and distributed, which are free.

Third. That home missions be made a special object during the year. That more regularity be practiced in giving; that earnest prayer for home missions be made in all our churches; that pastors preach on the subject as often as practicable, that we practice home missions in our every day life, as we mix and mingle with dying humanity.

Fourth. Our fourth recommendation we especially wish to emphasize; that the preachers and laymen seek for a deeper and broader conception of the divine dealings of God with humanity; that the membership be urged as to the importance of surrendered life; that we live such lives that the world will be compelled to recognize the fact that we have met a Savior to whom we have intrusted all.

The address of the Home board is; Third National Bank Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.

Respectfully submitted,

B. G. Hayes,

J. B. Grice.

Upon motion to adopt remarks were made by W. N. Johnson and J. B. Grice.

11: 15 a. m. report on State Missions was read by Rev. W. P. Mc Carter.

RERORT ON STATE MISSIONS

State Missions is the center around which every individual Baptist should rally with their whole heart, soul, mind and strength. Every patriotic citizen strives to hold the commonwealth to the highest standard of fame, politically and commercially. Why not we, as Baptists, stand behind our organization with our money and energy to evangelize and educate the people for better citizenship?

We must evangelize the people of the state; we must get the people in our own ranks before we can train them. No nation would attempt to declare war without first calling men to the front as volunteers and after they have enlisted and have secured their obligation of allegiance to their commander-in-chief, then train them in the tactics of war. Just so it is our duty as Baptists to go into the destitute places and keep the last great commission of Christ ringing loud and clear until ev ery repentant soul shall know the riches of God's grace.

Christ said, "and I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me;" so we must plant the cross in every nook and corner of our state, and hold up the blood stained banner of Christ so that every one may "behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world" first, To do this it takes men who are consecrated to God's service, willing to live a self-denial life, and put the work of God's Kingdom above dollars and cents; second: we need men with money who are willing to pay tithes to God out of their increase, and who will seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and put temporal things second.

Last year we had one hundred, fifty-five missionaries in the bounds of our State Convention, and, by the obedience of God's servants, 2,137 were baptized, forty-one church buildings were in progress, fifteen completed. These men received as salaries $35, 348. 48, an average of about $228 a piece; of course, this is an increase over the year before, but we have not realized our strength yet when we think of the rapid increase in wealth in our state. Never before have such enormous wheat and corn crops been realized in Western North Carolina as this year. Why not give part of it back to him in building up His Kingdom?

The needs of evangelistic work is great, Of the two million, three hundred thousand people of North Carolina, over sixty per cent are unsaved, or one million five hundred thousand unsaved people living in our state at our very door. They are looking to the remaining thirty-seven per cent, or 860, 000 for salvation; forty-nine per cent of the 860, 000 are Baptists, God is counting on us for the work; will we do it?

We must train our people to know their duty. David, in his last days, said to Solomon, 1 Chronicles 28:9, "And thou, Solomon, my son,

know the God of thy father and serve Him with a perfect heart and a willing mind." We must know God as a father who will protect His children and lead them in the ways of peace. Every church should have a miss on study class to train its members on the subject of missions; and this class should endeavor to enlist the indifferent members. We should scatter our mission books and tracts. Russellism is being scattered broadcast over the country. Why not we as Baptists? We can do colportage work and keep their pure minds stirred on missions.

No man is going to invest money In any project untill he fully understands it. The majority of our people don't go to associations and conventions to hear missions discussed; so it is for us to take it to their homes.

We recommend every church to adopt a systematic plan of giving to the various objects. If we can get only a few in every church who will give weekly or monthly, as the case may be, it will be a great leap toward the goal. Put business principles into the financing of the Kingdom of God.

W. P. McCarter.

After an enthusiastic discussion by several of the brethren the report was adopted.

WEDNESDAY 1: 30 P. M.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by W. C. McConnel.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

"The field is the world"—these were the striking words of Jesus in His parable of the Kingdom. The Christian task is a world task. The Christian vision is a world vision. Jesus came to save the world; He commissioned His disciples to go forth and win the world. Our task as Christians is not completed until we have gone into every part of this world with the Gospel story.

With many difficulties to overcome at home and abroad, our Foreign Mission Board records the most fruitful year in the history of the Foreign Mission endeavor.

The total amount received by the Board for the current support of the work for the year was $587, 438. 97. The apportionment fixed by the last Conveetion was $646, 500. 00; while this leaves a debt of $68. 000. 00 on the work, it is gratifying to note that but two states show any serious failing off in contributions, and this because of local conditions in both these states; and that the aggregate contributions from all the states show a gain of $44, 012. 68 over last year. These splendid results were achieved notwithstanding the fact the Board and the entire denomination were distressed by the serious illness of our beloved Corresponding Secretary, Dr. R. J. Willingham, during the last several months of the convention year.

The report shows a working force on the field of 913—278 missionaires and 635 native helpers. These workers report 380 churches, 5, 252

baptisms, 9, 376 students in our 339; 420 of these students are in our Theological Seminaries and training schools. These figures record marked progress over any preceding year. The report last year showed 846 workers—273 missionaries, 573 native helpers, 4,532 baptisms, 266 schools with 7, 481 students. We now have 12 medical missionaries, 8 hospital buildings, 13 dispensaries. 1, 472 in-patients and 65,341 out-patients were treated this year.

While the entire report of the Board is worthy of fervent accentuation, the following items demand special emphasis:

1. The Judson Centennial. The success attained in this, the second year of this campaign, warrants the sanguine hope for a triumphant outcome. But this task challenges an united and effectual effort Pledges and cash aggregating $602, 847. 41 have been received to date, leaving more than that amount yet to be raised. It is doubtful if any single undertaking of Southern Baptists has meant so much to the churches at home and the world at large as the Judson Centennial Movement, and your Committee most heartily concurs in the suggestion of the Board: "Give Judson Centennial the right of way this year. There is only one year left for its presentation." Which means that this work is not to interfere with other interests, but is not to be sidetracked for other interests.

2. Monthly crontributions from churches. Your Committee heartily endorses the Board's suggestion that a number of churches in each state be secured to make regular contributions sufficient to take current expenses and avoid the heavy interest account during the year.

The work of the Educational Department, and of the three Field Secretaries; the enlarged labors of the Laymen's Missionary Movement: the increased cooperation of the Woman's Missionary Union, Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U., etc, deserve special mention and heartiest commendation.

Surely, "a great door, and an effectual," has been opened to the Baptist of the South; the fields are whiter than ever unto the harvest, the opportunities are greater, the forces stronger and better trained, and our God is verily with us. Let us not falter at Kadesh-barnea, but "go up and possess the land, for we be well able to possess it."

Respectfully Submitted.

W. C. McConnell

Upon motion to adopt remarks were made by W. C. McConnell and Rev. C. B. Waller.

2:30 P. M. the report on the Orphanage was read by W. O. Riddick.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

To the Buncombe County Baptist Association.

Bro. Moderator:

The Thomasville Baptist Orphanage has just passed its twenty-ninth mile post. Last year was, in some respects, uneventful, but in others it was one of progress and showed the Baptists of North Carolina were behind it and had their hearts set on the natural and fundamental ex-

pression of Christianity. Jesus, in his ministry, taught us what he would have us be. He emphasized things fundamental and set the program for all ages. He glorified childhood and so related His gospel to the physical wants of life that we cannot hope to save their souls unless we also provide for their bodies.

Bro. Kesler reported to the Trustees many improvements during the year and among them are:—

One new building, known as the Miles-Durham Building; new bathrooms have been added to some of the buildings, a new barn for the dairy; the school building is being reconstructed and made larger; an auditorium, to be used for religious gatherings has been started, and two buildings have been completed at the Kennedy Home in Lenoir County. The Kennedy Home will be opened in a few days and it can care for 50 children.

He reports that they cared for 430 children during the year 1913-1914, and if they pay any attention to the cry for help will surely have not less than 500 before the end of the year. The net cost of caring for one of these little ones is $107.64 a year, which means that the Baptists of North Carolina must raise $50,000 or some of them will have to leave, or our institution will be hopelessly in debt.

They have employed twelve teachers, ten matrons, nine lady superintendents of departments, seven men superintendents of departments, and three officers, but the work is done by the childeren. They are trained for all the walks of life and most especially for the Christian duties of home, church and country.

All the departments of work showed a profit last year. The farm led with a profit of $6,000.00; Charity and Children came next with a profit of $5,700 00 and the Dairy next with $2,300.00 to its credit

We have a plant valued at $170,750.00, an endownment of $110,000, none of which can be used to feed and clothe the children.

We contributed last year $42,500.00 for the current fund and the end of the year found us owing $5,000.00.

Buncombe County Association has 25 children there and the cost of caring for them was $2,691.00 and we gave them for this $1,382.69 and left $1,309.31 to be paid by other Associations.

Your committee recommends that steps be taken by the Association to raise for the coming year certainly not less than the amount it will cost to support our own children, and that every Sunday school in the association be asked to take a collection for the Orphanage one Sunday in each month. A liberal Thanksgiving offering emphasizing the importance of "WORK DAY," giving not less than one day's work to the Orphanage. We would suggest that in many churches it is best to select a Sunday nearest Thanksgiving day to hold this special service. This can be done to advantage on country fields.

Fraternally submitted,
W. O. Riddick,
For Committee

Upon motion to adopt the association was addressed by F. B. Hamrick, W. O. Riddick, W. C. McConnel, Dr. Waller, Jas. N. Morgan. Jas. N. Morgan moved that the clerk have a list of the children at the Orphanage published as an appendix to the minutes showing which church entered them. Carried. G. F. Stradley announced that the Baptists of Asheville and vicinity would run an excursion to Thomasville during the month of September for the benefit of the Orphanage.

Rev. Calvin B. Waller read the report on Woman's Work prepared by Miss Annie Logan.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

Missions is the great work entrusted to the church by Christ, it is the mighty force in the civilization of the world. The missionary first, civilization next is the history of progress. Missions is the greatest broadener and builder of individual Christian character.

In the missionary work of our churches the work of the women is being recognized as a mighty force. The women of our State contributed this year for

Foreign Missions	$ 16,785.95
Home Missions	10,624.17
State Missions	10,927.19
Louisville Training School	1,237.86
Sunday School Board	109.17
Margaret Home	15.90
Expense Fund	554.89
Total	$ 40,255.13

In our own Association we have 13 Woman's Missionary Societies, 3 Young Woman's Auxiliaries, 3 Royal Ambassador Chapters and 3 Sunbeam bands. These have contributed during the year for:

Foreign Missions	$ 816.30
Home Missions	775.38
State Missions	309.11
Louisville Training School	68.81
Other Purposes	19.30
Total	$ 1,988.90

It will perhaps be interesting to note that we have in our Association the oldest President of a Missionary society in the State and possibly in the South, this is Aunt Mary Alexander of the Berean Missionary Society. She is the daughter of Rev. Thomas Stradley the pioneer Baptist minister of this country, is 94 years old was oppointed President of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Berean church by Rev. Mr. Hilliard over 30 years ago. She has been confined to her bed for the past three years but she is still interested in Missions and spends her time piecing quilts which she sells for mission money.

From time to time there have been new features introduced into the work of the Woman's Missionary Society, the latest being that of Personal Service which includes all local missionary work—such as:—

visiting and caring for the sick, feeding and clothing the needy, and giving assistance to the Mountain School Work. This form of work is bringing about good results.

Your committee wishes to call attention to the fact that there are 38 churches in our association and only 11 represented in the missionary work of the women, which means that only a little over one-fourth of our women are interested in this great work. When we consider what one-fourth of the women of our churches have done we cannot help but compare with that the results of what might be done if there was organized missionary effort in all the churches of our association. Your committee earnestly urges the pastors to encourage and help the women in organizing and sustaining missionary societies in their churches.

At the meeting of the State W. M. U. at Hendersonville in March, it was recommended that as far as possible the ladies of the association hold their meeting at a separate time and place from the regular associational meeting. In accordance with this recommendation the ladies of this association will meet with the Biltmore church Thursday morning Aug. 20th at 10:00 o'clock, All the women of the association whether members of missionary societies or not are cordially invited and earnestly requested to attend this meeting.

ANNIE L. LOGAN,
V. Pres. Buncombe Co. W. M. U.

Upon motion to adopt the association was addressed by Rev. C. B. Waller and Rev. W. C. McCarter.

Rev. Calvin B. Waller, Prof. W. H. Hipps and Jas. N. Morgan addressed the association on behalf of the Baptist meeting house at Wake Forest. Upon motion the moderator appointed W. H. Hipps, G. D. Carter and Rev. W. P. McCarter as a committee to solicit fund for the building at Wake Forest.

On motion adjourned until Thursday morning at 9:00 a. m. Benediction by the Pastor of Flat Creek church.

THURSDAY 9:00 A. M.

Association called to order by the moderator devotional exercises conducted by Rev. E. J. Morgan.

Rev. J. B. Grice from the Special Committee on deficit due the Evangelist submits the following report which is adopted.

Your Committee on the $123. 95 deficit on salary of Associational Evangelist recommend that the apportionment committee be instructed to apportion this amount among the churches; and that they be requested to send in the amounts to the Associational Treasurer at the earliest possible moment.

J. B. GRICE, Chairman
J. N. MORGAN
CALVIN B. WALLER.

The state of the churches and the Laymens Movement was discussed by Rev. W. W. Marr and the Moderator.

The special committee on the deficit of salary due the associational Evangelist submit this report which is adopted.

The following is the Temperance Report read before and unanimously adopted by the Buncombe County Baptist association in session at Flat Creek Church Aug. 13, 1914, with the instructions that a copy be sent to our representative in Congress, another copy to our State Senators expressing our thanks for the support they are giving the proposed National Prohibition Measure, and earnestly requesting them to support this measure in its original form.

TEMPERANCE REPORT

Your committee to whom was referred the Report on Temperance recommend:

1. That the members of the Buncombe County association give the heartiest possible support to the authorities of our Prohibition Laws, even at the risk of the severe censure oft times accompaning the effort to carry on said laws.

2. That the individual churches keep ever before the world the standard of total abstinence from the use of alcoholic beverages.

3. That the pastors of these churches keep themselves fully informed with regard to the poverty and crime caused by intemperance, and with regard to the poison influence of such beverages upon both the physical and moral make-up of each individual addicted to their use; and that they have special times at which forcefully to give the people of their communities this information.

4. That all the pastors and churches lend strong aid to the means now on foot to bring about national prohibition.

5. That in all these efforts we earnestly ask the help of the Omnipotent One whose word itself is an unquestionable Temperance constitution.

Respectfully submitted,
Committee:
M. M. Sluder
T. C. Morgan
E. J. Morgan
Dolly Ann Morgan.

The report on Temperance was read and unaminously adopted.

B. G, Hayes offered the following resolution which is unaminously adopted. Be it resolved by the delegates of this association that we tender to the good people of Flat Creek Baptist Church our sincere thanks for their generous hospitality during our stay with them, and pray God's choicest blessings upon them.

The Historian submits his report for the year which is adopted.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

Since the last session of our association, three new churches have been organized. French Broad Ave. Baptist church, Rev. John E. Barnard, pastor; Ridgecrest Baptist church, J. R. Pace, pastor; the Ridgeway Baptist church, Rev. Mr. White of Clyde, pastor.

Rev. W. H. Moore has resigned at Biltmore; Rev. J. S. Connell has resigned at Gashes Creek and Reeds Chapel; Rev. G. P. Hamrick has resigned at West End church.

The following are new pastors: Biltmore, Edw. Jenkins; West End, O. L. Orr; Macedonia, Jesse Corn; Big Ivy Field, W. P. Robertson; Bent Creek, S. J. Morgan, Jr.

The following churches have no pastors: Gashes Creek, Reeds Chapel, Elk Mountain and Browns Chapel.

The French Broad Ave. Baptist church and Fair View are building splendid houses of worship. Ridgecrest, Chestnut Grove, Ridgeway, Biltmore and South Blackmountain have built or made substantial improvements. The tabulated reports show our gains and losses for the year.

W. W. MARR,
Historian.

The Moderator announced the Chairmen of Committees to report at our 1915 meeting (see committees.)

The committee on appointment submit their report which is adopted. (See Report on next page.)

The report of Treasurer is received and adopted. There being no further business adjourned to meet with Hominy Baptist church, Aug. 10-1915.

J. M. STONER, Moderator,
E. B. STRADLEY, Clerk.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT FOR 1914-15.

CHURCHES	State and Associational Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday School Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Aged Ministers.	Total.
Asheville, First	$ 900 00	900 00	1 500 00	25 00	700 00	185 00	25 00	4,235 00
Antioch	25 00	20 00	55 00	1 00	10 00	1 00	1 00	104 00
Avery's Creek	3 00	3 00	3 00	50	5 00	1 00	1 00	16 50
Beaverdam	50 00	50 00	50 00	3 00	35 00	3 00	2 50	193 50
Berea	15 00	10 00	20 00	1 00	7 00	2 00	1 00	56 00
Bent Creek	2 50	2 50	2 50	50	7 50	1 00	1 00	17 50
Bethel	8 00	8 00	8 00	1 00	8 00	3 00	1 00	37 00
Biltmore	50 00	50 00	50 00	5 00	75 00	5 00	3 00	238 00
Big Ivey	15 00	15 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	2 00	1 00	58 00
Black Mountain, North	3 00	3 00	3 50	1 00	2 50	2 00	1 00	16 00
" " South	11 00	5 00	10 00	1 00	7 00	2 00	1 00	36 00
Brown's Chapel	2 50	2 50	2 50	50	2 50	1 00	1 00	12 50
Calvary	80 00	90 00	85 00	5 00	125 00	15 00	10 00	410 00
Elk Mountain	5 00	7 00	7 50	1 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	27 50
Fairview	100 00	50 00	50 00	5 00	75 00	5 00	2 50	287 50
Flat Creek	10 00	10 00	10 00	1 00	20 00	2 00	1 00	54 00
Gash's Creek	15 00	15 00	15 00	2 00	15 00	3 00	2 00	67 00
Hominy	15 00	15 00	15 00	2 00	15 00	2 00	1 00	65 00
Inanda	3 00	3 00	5 00	1 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	21 00
Jupiter	7 50	7 50	10 00	1 00	8 00	2 00	1 00	37 00
Liberty	10 00	8 00	6 00	1 00	8 00	2 00	1 00	36 00
Macedonia	7 50	7 50	7 50	1 00	8 00	2 00	1 00	34 50
Morgan Hill	7 00	7 00	7 00	1 00	6 00	3 00	1 00	32 00
Mt. Carmel	15 00	15 00	20 00	2 00	44 00	2 00	2 00	100 00
Mt. Olive	2 50	2 50	2 50	50	2 50	1 00	1 00	12 50
New Salem	2 50	2 50	2 50	50	2 50	1 00	1 00	12 50
New Morgan Hill	6 00	6 00	6 00	1 00	6 00	2 00	1 00	28 00
Pleasant Grove	5 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	23 00
" Hill	2 50	2 50	2 50	50	2 50	2 00	1 00	13 50
Reed's Chapel	10 00	10 00	10 00	1 00	15 00	2 00	1 00	49 00
Reems Creek	2 50	2 50	2 50	1 00	2 50	2 00	1 00	14 00
Spring Mountain	2 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	2 50	2 00	1 00	13 50
Swannanoa	3 50	3 50	3 50	1 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	17 50
Chestnut Grove	3 00	3 00	3 00	1 00	2 50	2 00	1 00	15 50
Mountain View	3 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	19 00
West End	80 00	45 00	45 00	5 00	100 00	7 50	5 00	287 50
French Broad Ave	100 00	40 00	60 00	10 00	110 00	10 00	5 00	335 00
Ridgeway	2 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	2 50	2 00	1 00	13 50
Ridgecrest	1 50	1 50	1 50	50	2 00	1 00	1 00	9 00
White Rock	2 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	2 50	2 00	1 00	13 50

CONSTITUTION.

Article I.—Name.

This Association shall be known as Buncombe County Baptist Association.

Article II.—Objects,

The objects of this Association shall be:

1. To elicit, combine and direct the energies of the Baptists of Buncombe County in one sacred effort to encourage and promote the propagation of the Gospel within our bounds.

2. To foster and promote, under the auspices of the Baptist State Convention, the cause of State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, Orphanage, Sunday School and Colportage, Old Ministers' Relief and Temperance.

3. This Association disclaims to exercise lordship over the churches or to have any power which entitles it to infringe upon the internal rights of any of the churches composing it.

Article III.—Constituency.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent by each Baptist Church in Buncombe County, who shall be duly recommended by letter from the Church to which they belong; provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is so situated as to make it more convenient from natural causes to belong to this body shall be entitled to membership and representation in this Association.

Section 2.—Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members exceeding twenty-five.

Section 3.—Name of no delegate shall appear in the Minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

Article IV.

Section 1.—The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian.

Section 2.—All the officers shall be elected annually immediately after the reading of the church letters and the enrollment of the delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the other officers in any way the Association may direct.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at all meetings of the body, and keep order in accordance with Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to preside in the absence of the Moderator.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of this body in a business-like manner, to superintend the

printing and distribution of the Minutes of the Association, and to turn them over to his successor.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds belonging to the Association, and to pay them out to the objects for which they were collected.

It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep a record of such items as would be of interest to a future Historian, to preserve the same in a book. He shall also keep a file of the Minutes·

Article 5.—Committees.

At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees, whose duty it shall be to report at the next annual meeting: State Missions, Home Mission, Foreign Missions, State of the Churches, Orphanage, Sunday Schools, Temperance, Woman's Work, Order of Business, Time and Place and Annual Sermon for the Next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

Article 6.

The Association shall at each annual meeting appoint an Executive Board to consist of the officers of the Association and three judicious and active brethren; three of whom shall constitute a quorum. All pastors shall be associate members of the Board.

The Executive Board shall superintend the mission work in the county, and carry out the resolutions and orders of the Association during its recess.

This Board shall be empowered to fill all vancancies which may occur during the year.

Article 7.—Church Letters

The letters from the churches shall give the following information: name of church and date of organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in its membership and their postoffices; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded, number of deaths during the year; time of meetings; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, State misions, Home Missions Foreign Missions, education, orphanage, Sunday school and for any other objects.

Report of Sunday school will show the name of the Superintendent and Secretary with their post offices, number enrolled, average attendance during the year, amount paid for the support of the Sunday school and for benevolent objects.

Article 8

This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual Parliamentary Practice.

Article 9

This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article 10

Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

Article 11

This Association may carry on a friendly correspondence with similiar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article 12

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

ORPHANAGE CHILDREN FROM BUNCOMBE COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Nat Brigman,	Asheville, N. C.
Daphne O. Brigman,	" " "
Edgar Brigman,	" " "
Nannie Brigman	" " "
May Penland	" " "
Guy Penland	" " "
Eva Penland	" " "
William Powell Hunter	" " "
Millie Elizabeth Hunter	" " "
Effie Brank	" " "
Charles Edward Brank	" " "
Vista Brank	" " "
Lady Gay Fulton	" " "
Westley Theodore Roosevelt Fulton	" " "
Howard Carter Martin	" " "
Wayne Sluder Martin	" " "
Fannie Brewer	" " "
Pauline Brewer	" " "
Ruth Augusta Watkins	Black Mountain
Robert Lee Watkins	Black Mountain
Bessie Roberson	Asheville, N. C.
Grady J. Ingle	" " "
May Roberson	" " "
Jerry Rich	" " "
Homer Moody	" " "
Max Dennis	" " "

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS' SALARY	BUILDING AND REPAIRS	INCIDENTALS	S. S. EXPENSES	THE POOR	MINUTE FUND	ASSO. MISSIONS.	STATE MISSIONS	HOME MISSIONS	FOREIGN MISSIONS	S. S. MISSIONS	ORPHANAGE	MINISTERIAL EDUCATION	MINISTERIAL RELIEF	COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS	Other Objects	TOTAL
Asheville, First	$3000 00	$1259 00	$3511 84	$ 640 86	585 54	$ 5 00	$98 29	$ 613 66	$ 805 88	$1501 57	$10 00	$ 711 01	$45 00	$.....	192 11	$ 606 10	$13,615 86
Asheville, Calvary	1200 00	200 00	60 00	120 76	8 89	3 00	80 00	34 47	90 00	85 00	1 00	245 00	20 00	10 00	250 00	227 55	2635 58
✲ " French Broad Ave.	1100 00	750 00	260 73	45 93	20 00	10 00	11 00	3 33	80 33	129 34	.....	44 33	.....	.....	25 00	76 46	2356 45
Asheville, West End	1062 32	1575 00	44 65	57 96	3 50	2 00	35 60	68 80	40 00	40 00	5 00	113 23	.....	7 00	.....	.....	3353 06
Antioch	10 00	40 00	28 95	22 27	2 10	1 95	.....	27 00	20 00	22 50	1 50	10 00	1 00	1 00	.....	27 40	305 67
Avery's Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	3 00	3 00	3 00	50	5 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	17 50
Beaver Dam	200 00	11 12	26 45	25 42	.....	2 00	46 01	29 24	65 35	88 17	3 00	50 25	2 00	2 50	.....	.....	551 51
Bent Creek	30 00	.....	.....	12 50	.....	1 20	.....	.....	.....	2 75	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	48 45
Berea	100 00	3 60	1 95	10 80	.....	50	.....	10 00	5 00	15 00	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	154 85
Bethel	59 72	.....	.....	11 75	.....	1 30	3 75	3 75	7 50	7 50	55	12 36	2 00	85	.....	.....	111 03
Biltmore	930 00	350 00	250 95	26 00	42 25	.....	10 00	75 74	43 92	80 26	.....	48 17	31 00	5 00	10 00	.....	1973 29
Black Mountain, South	283 00	699 00	.....	75 00	26 50	1 00	.....	10 00	6 00	26 00	.....	20 20	.....	.....	.....	122 00	1268 70
Black Mountain, North	50 00	18 40	.....	7 00	3 00	80	1 00	2 00	3 00	3 50	1 00	4 00	2 00	1 00	.....	.....	96 70
Brown's Chapel	35 00	.....	50 00	15 00	5 00	1 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	2 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	110 60
Big Ivy	100 00	44 00	45 00	73 00	.....	1 75	.....	10 00	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	293 75
Chestnut Grove	45 00	1000 00	.....	10 00	.....	50	1 50	1 50	3 00	3 00	.....	2 50	2 00	1 00	.....	.....	1070 00
✲✲Elk Mountain	21 47	25 00	18 00	73 62	.....	1 50	30 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	170 09
Fair View	800 00	3079 95	50 00	35 00	12 00	2 50	25 00	100 00	40 00	50 00	2 75	75 00	.....	5 00	30 00	15 00	4322 20
Flat Creek	60 00	.....	19 50	5 76	6 50	1 20	21 21	10 00	10 00	10 00	1 00	13 05	2 00	1 00	.....	.....	161 35
Gash's Creek	200 00	.....	13 78	15 00	10 50	.....	1 65	1 85	1 85	1 60	.....	6 69	.....	.....	.....	.....	252 92
Hominy	81 46	5 45	12 69	21 40	.....	85	.....	5 50	41 49	11 00	.....	11 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	191 34
Inanda	60 00	5 80	41 20	8 00	.....	1 00	28 00	3 00	3 00	5 00	1 00	12 00	1 00	2 00	.....	.....	171 00
Jupiter	50 00	15 00	.....	5 00	10 00	1 50	.....	10 00	10 00	10 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	116 50
Liberty	60 00	.....	3 30	40 20	15 10	1 10	5 00	5 00	8 00	6 00	40	9 12	4 75	1 00	.....	.....	158 97
Mt. Carmel	120 00	.....	.....	60 65	26 65	3 00	7 50	7 50	15 00	20 00	2 00	44 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	370 50
Mt. Olive	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Macedonia	65 00	30 00	.....	8 00	8 09	1 10	.....	2 00	5 70	4 00	1 00	15 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	139 93
Morgan Hill	52 00	.....	.....	6 00	.....	1 45	6 00	1 00	7 00	7 00	1 00	6 00	3 00	1 00	.....	50 00	141 45
Mountain View	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Morgan Hill	20 00	.....	.....	9 82	.....	1 00	.....	5 00	5 00	10 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	55 82
Pleasant Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove	100 00	.....	.....	7 00	5 00	60	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	135 00
Reed's Chapel	76 17	.....	5 00	15 19	9 40	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	112 81
Reeves Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Swannanoa	100 00	.....	.....	8 00	.....	50	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	111 50
Spring Mountain	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ridgecrest	.....	.....	10 16	10 00	.....	.....	.....	3 61	3 61	3 61	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 39
Ridgeway	40 69	.....	.....	6 96	2 72	1 30	.....	1 25	2 50	1 25	.....	6 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	63 27
White Rock	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	61 00
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STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND POSTOFFICES	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES	Time of Preaching.	Value of Church Property	GAINS			LOSSES			Number of Males	No. of Females	Total Membership
					By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death			
Asheville, First	C B Walker, D. D., Asheville	J A Edgerton, Asheville	Every	$2,500	51	83	2	147	2	5	----	----	1369
Asheville, Calvary	M A Jenkins, D D, Ridgecrest	Geo. H Starnes, Asheville, No. 3	Every	3750	1	29	----	----	----	----	----	----	226
" French Broad Ave.	J E Barnard, Asheville	J A Grove, Asheville	Every	4500	39	159	----	----	----	----	----	----	195
Asheville, West End	O L Orr, Asheville	L M Revis, Asheville	Every	5000	3	8	8	4	----	1	74	160	234
Antioch	W P McCarter, Mars Hill	C S Gentry, Democrat	3rd.	1200	6	6	----	----	----	----	85	113	188
Avery's Creek	----------	S O Ingram, Arden	----------	200	----	----	----	----	----	----	16	22	38
Beaverdam	W T Bradley, Democrat	E P Stradley, Asheville, No. 1	2nd, 4th	1400	2	----	----	1	----	----	26	29	55
Bent Creek	----------	----------	----------	----------	2	3	----	----	----	1	9	18	27
Berea	C E Beaver, Black Mountain	J A Cordell, Swannanoa	4th.	1800	----	----	----	----	----	2	26	37	63
Biltmore	Edward Jenkins, Biltmore	Clyde Reed, Biltmore	Every	5500	41	37	7	1	----	2	----	----	197
Bethel	J B Grice, Asheville	E Gooche, Asheville, No. 3	2nd, 3rd	500	6	1	----	----	----	2	22	37	59
Black Mountain, South	C E Beaver, Black Mountain	J H Denny, Black Mountain	1st, 3rd	2700	17	47	----	8	----	4	55	66	121
" " North	W P Robertson, Barnardsville	Ellis Burleson, Rock View	1st.	1500	----	1	----	7	11	1	29	38	67
Brown's Chapel	E Allison, Ettawah	S A Bradley, Beech	2nd.	1200	----	8	----	----	----	----	31	34	65
Big Ivey	W P Robertson, Barnardsville	Jos. M Greenwood, Barnardsville	2nd, 3rd	3600	13	9	2	10	----	2	54	63	117
Chestnut Grove	W P Robertson, Barnardsville	Roy Burleson, Dillingham	4th.	1000	19	6	1	9	----	----	29	75	104
Elk Mountain	J A Bradley, Marshall, No. 5	J M Howard, Asheville, No. 5	----------	200	2	3	----	4	7	----	32	47	79
Fairview	N B Phillips, Fair View	R A Morgan, Fair View	Every	8000	28	7	3	12	3	3	139	202	341
Flat Creek	W T Bradley, Democrat	M B Spivey, Stockville	1st.	1000	5	4	1	8	1	2	66	86	152
Gash's Creek	----------	R C Sales, Skyland	----------	5000	13	7	----	7	1	1	38	64	102
Hominy	C E Jarvis, Leicester	Levi S Clark, Candler	1st	2500	2	----	----	28	----	----	41	64	105
Inanda	J B Grice, Asheville	T H Byers, Biltmore	2nd, 4th	1000	10	10	1	----	2	3	35	20	55
Jupiter	S Briggs, Ivy	S L Roberts, Weaverville, No. 1	4th.	1200	----	----	----	----	----	1	40	30	70
Liberty	W M Pruett, Hazelwood	L W Young, Candler	3rd.	1000	----	2	----	1	14	1	21	34	55
Mt. Carmel	J B Grice, Asheville	Luke Young, Asheville, No. 4	1st, 3rd	1000	13	9	----	1	3	2	46	71	137
Mt. Olive	----------	----------	----------	----------	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	* 38
Macedonia	J W Corn, Marshall	H G Rymer, Alexander	3rd.	800	9	----	----	4	----	----	38	63	101
Morgan Hill	W P McCarter, Mars Hill	J J Ammons, Stockville	4th	1500	----	----	----	----	----	----	79	77	156
Mountain View	----------	----------	----------	----------	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	* 96
New Morgan Hill	W M Pruett, Hazelwood	S L Morgan, Candler	3rd.	----------	----	----	----	1	----	----	18	16	34
Pleasant Hill	----------	----------	----------	----------	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	98
Pleasant Grove	N B Phillips, Fair View	Eli Garren, Fair View	3rd.	600	1	5	----	4	9	----	16	25	41
Reed's Chapel	----------	A T Davidson, Biltmore	----------	1000	----	----	----	----	1	----	11	27	38
Reems Creek	----------	----------	----------	----------	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	* 36
Swannonoa	C E Beaver, Swannanoa	L B Buchanan, Swannanoa	2nd.	1000	1	4	----	2	1	----	24	45	69
Spring Mountain	----------	----------	----------	----------	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	* 32
Ridgecrest	J R Pace, Ridgecrest	J M Lewis, Ridgecrest	Every	1800	----	11	----	----	----	----	4	7	11
Ridgeway	L B White, Clyde	J V Morgan, Candler	2nd.	150	2	5	----	----	----	----	12	13	25
White Rock	W M Pruett, Hazelwood	Collier Morgan, Candler	----------	----------	14	----	----	----	----	1	----	----	118
Total	----------	----------	----------	----------	300	464	25	332	55	34	----	----	4814

‡ To French Broad Avenue Baptist Church. * Report of 1913.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS TABLE.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POSTOFFICES.	SECRETARIES AND POSTOFFICES	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Pupils.	Total Enrollment.	Church Members in S. S.	Months Kept Open.	Baptisms from School.	School Expenses.	Missions.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Total Contributions.
Asheville, First	A I Ruby, Asheville	Lee Ownby, Asheville	4	75	1157	1232	.....	12	33	$ 640 86	226 40	$ 697 18	417 95	$1982 39
Asheville, Calvary	H A Brown, Asheville, No. 3	J W Baity, Asheville No. 3	1	18	240	258	.....	12	.....	120 76	34 47	120 00	218 75	493 98
" French Broad Ave.	G D Carter, Asheville	Ada Beck, Asheville	1	14	300	314	150	12	30	45 93	.....	47 33	.....	93 26
Asheville, West End	L M Revis, Asheville	J B Pennell, Asheville	1	13	150	163	.....	.....	3	57 96	13 80	113 23	18 11	203 10
Antioch	Z V Foister, Democrat	Ella Goldsmith, Democrat	1	13	120	133	50	12	5	22 27	1 50	5 60	.....	29 37
Avery's Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beaverdam	W B Scarborough, Asheville, No. 1	G C Greenwood, Asheville No. 1	1	6	63	69	24	12	2	25 42	81 86	25 64	.....	132 92
Bent Creek	N B Creasman, Biltmore	T J Carland, Biltmore	1	4	65	69	.....	.....	.....	12 50	.....	.....	.....	12 50
Berea	J A Cordell, Swannanoa	.....	1	5	40	45	20	12	.....	10 80	.....	8 00	.....	18 80
Bethel	J P Green, Asheville, No. 3	Miss D Spivey, Asheville No. 3	1	8	94	102	25	12	2	11 75	.....	12 36	.....	24 11
Biltmore	M W Hamrick, Asheville	Jos. Gatling, Biltmore	1	16	190	206	.....	.....	.....	96 00	.....	.....	.....	96 00
Big Ivey	D W Shuford, Barnardsville	Buddie Dillingham, Barnardsville	1	15	184	199	.....	12	.....	73 00	.....	.....	.....	73 00
Black Mountain, South	Jos. Kinsey, Black Mountain	Mrs T W Ingle, Black Mountain	1	11	149	160	60	12	10	75 00	35 00	20 20	19 80	150 00
" " North	J R Baily, Rock View	Ellis Burleson, Rock View	1	7	76	83	34	10	.....	7 00	.....	1 50	2 00	10 50
Brown's Chapel	S A Bradley, Beech	Mollie Edwards, Beech	1	12	118	130	75	12	.....	15 00	.....	2 60	50 00	67 60
Chestnut Grove	Verg Hensly, Dillingham	E K Hensley, Dillingham	1	8	65	73	40	12	14	10 00	1 50	1 15	.....	12 65
Elk Mountain	J G McElrath, Asheville	J M Howard, Asheville No. 5	1	8	65	73	30	12	.....	73 62	.....	.....	.....	73 62
Flat Creek	J E Chandler, Weaverville	Myrtle Chandler, Weaverville	1	8	75	83	30	12	3	5 76	.....	10 04	.....	15 80
Fairview	J A Grant, Fair View	S J Merrill, Fair View	3	24	325	349	163	12	17	35 00	2 55	15 00	15 00	67 55
Gash's Creek	T J Ingle, Swannanoa	T A Wilkerson, Biltmore	1	6	69	75	.....	12	10	15 00	.....	.....	.....	15 00
Hominy	E L Clark, Candler	C C Morgan, Candler	1	8	59	67	.....	12	2	21 40	.....	.....	.....	21 40
Inanda	Eug Brown, Candler	J D Ledford, Asheville No. 3	1	6	65	71	20	12	8	8 00	12 00	12 00	66 20	98 20
Jupiter	E A Roberts, Alexander, No. 2	Barnett Williams, Alexander No. 2	1	6	35	41	18	12	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Liberty	W W Greene, Candler	H A Swyer, Candler	1	9	46	55	20	12	.....	40 20	.....	9 12	.....	49 32
Mt. Carmel	Thos. Willis, Asheville No. 4	Leroy Brookshire, Asheville No. 4	1	15	122	137	75	12	1	60 65	.....	31 00	.....	91 65
Mt Olive	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morgan Hill	J S Ball, Stockville	Nettie Morgan, Stockville	1	7	93	100	.....	12	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	6 00
Macedonia	H G Rymer, Alexander	L Ratcliff, Alexander	1	8	60	68	30	12	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	8 00
Mountain View	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Morgan Hill	E B Queen, Candler	S L Morgan, Candler	1	7	62	69	20	12	.....	9 82	.....	5 00	.....	14 82
Pleasant Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove	E T Taylor, Fair View	J B Reed, Fair View	1	7	70	77	30	12	.....	7 00	.....	.....	.....	7 00
Reed's Chapel	J J Harris, Biltmore	J W Fox, Biltmore	1	6	82	88	11	12	.....	15 19	.....	5 95	.....	21 14
Reems Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Swannonoa	S R Stroup, Swannanoa	Laura Kent, Swannanoa	1	6	54	60	16	12	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	8 00
Spring Mountain	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ridgecrest	S B Moore, Ridgecrest	L E Simmons, Ridgecrest	1	5	40	45	.....	12	.....	10 00	.....	.....	10 16	20 16
Ridgeway	O H Winchester, Candler	Mrs J D Muse, Candler	1	8	104	112	22	12	2	6 96	1 25	5 35	2 72	16 28
White Rock	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	.....	.....	.....	369	4437	4806	.....	.....	142	1550 85	410 33	1148 25	820 69	3939 12

MINUTES

OF THE

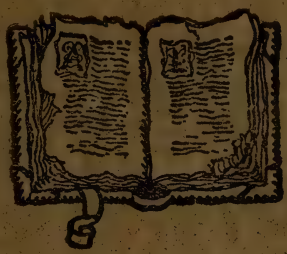
THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Buncombe County Baptist Association

OF

NORTH CAROLINA



HELD WITH

HOMINY BAPTIST CHURCH

AUGUST 10, 11 AND 12, 1915

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Bomar, John ..... Asheville
Brown, A. E., D. D..... "
Beaver, C. E..... Black Mountain
Barnard, J. E..... Asheville
Branson, R. M..... "
Barnwell, G. L..... "
Bradley, W. T..... Stockville
Cleveland, W. C..... Asheville
Davis, J. A..... Mars Hill
Grice, J. B..... Asheville
Haynes, W. ..... Asheville, No. 1
Jenkins, M. A., D. D..... Ridgecrest
Morgan, E. J. ..... Candler
Morgan, S. J., Jr..... Biltmore
Morgan, E. W. ..... Asheville
Morgan, S. J., Sr..... Stockville
Marr, W. W..... Biltmore
Miller, C. S..... Black Mountain
McCarter, W. P..... Democrat
Owen, J. C..... Asheville
Phillips, N. B..... Fairview
Pace, J. R..... Ridgecrest
Pickens, J. M..... Alexander
Proffitt, M. S..... Stockville
Plemmons, Jas. ..... Candler
Robertson, W. P..... Barnardsville
Sluder, M. M..... Asheville, No. 4
Wamboth, M. M., D. D..... Asheville, No. 3
Waller, Calvin B., D. D..... Asheville
Woodall, W. H..... "

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. M. Stoner J. B. Grice John Bomar W. O. Riddick
W. T. Bradley M. W. Hamrick A E. Brown
E. B. Stradley

Meets in Dr. Brown's office, American National Bank, upon call of the Secretary.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR 1916.

TUESDAY.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional.
9:45 a. m.—Reading of Letters.
10:30 a. m.—Organization.
11:00 a. m.—Annual Sermon, by Dr. Waller.
12:00 Noon—Adjournment for Dinner.
1:30 p. m.—Sunday Schools—B. G. Hayes, chairman.
2:00 p. m.—Periodicals—Rev. W. Haynes, chairman.
2:30 p. m.—Home Missions—G. D. Carter, chairman.
3:00 p. m.—Education—R. H. Hutchinson, chairman.
3:30 p. m.—Temperance—Rev. E. J. Morgan, chairman.
4:00 p. m.—Miscellaneous.
4:15 p. m.—Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.
9:45 a. m.—Foreign Missions—W. C. McConnell, chairman.
10:30 a. m.—State Missions—H. A. Brown, chairman.
11:15 a. m.—State of the Church—J. B. Grice, chairman.
12:00 Noon—Adjournment for Dinner.
1:30 p. m.—Orphanage—W. O. Riddick, chairman.
2:30 p. m.—B. Y. P. U.—E. P. Stradley, chairman.
3:00 p. m.—Laymen's Movement—John Bomar, chairman.
3:30 p. m.—Woman's Work—Miss Anne Logan.
3:45 p. m.—Miscellaneous.
4:00 p. m.—Adjournment.

J. B. GRICE,
W. T. BRADLEY,
G. D. CARTER.

MINUTES

OF THE

Thirty-Fourth Annual Session

OF THE

Buncombe County Baptist Association

OF

NORTH CAROLINA

HELD WITH

HOMINY BAPTIST CHURCH

August 10, 11 and 12, 1915

J. M. STONER, Moderator.....Asheville, N. C.
REV. W. T. BRADLEY, Vice-Moderator.....Stocksville, N. C.
E. B. STRADLEY, Clerk.....Asheville, N. C.
M. W. HAMRICK, Treasurer.....Asheville, N. C.
REV. J. B. GRICE, Historian.....Asheville, N. C.

The next session will be held with the Calvary Baptist Church of West Asheville, the third Tuesday and Wednesday of August, 1916.

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PROCEEDINGS

The Thirty-Fourth Annual Session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with the Hominy Baptist Church, August 10th, 11th and 12th, 1915. Called to order by the Moderator, J. M. Stoner, at 10 a. m.

Rev. J. C. Owen conducted devotional exercises, reading from the Gospel of John.

The Clerk was assisted in reading letters from the Churches by Rev. J. B. Grice, as follows:

Asheville, First Church—Calvin B. Waller, D. D., John E. Barnard, D. D., Rev. J. C. Owen, A. I. Ruby, J. M. Stoner, E. B. Stradley, G. F. Stradley, J. T. Justice, Mrs. G. F. Stradley, Mrs. J. T. Justice, W. O. Riddick, R. J. Stokeley, John H. Jenkins, Mrs. J. H. Jenkins, W. C. McConnell, Mrs. W. C. McConnell, and Rev. W. H. Woodall.

Asheville, Calvary—Geo. H. Starnes, Jr., Roy Ingle, and Miss Logan.

Asheville, French Broad Ave.—Rev. John Bomar, G. D. Carter, Carnige Carter, J. M. Spurlin, Mrs. J. M. Spurlin, Mrs. S. P. Davis, Miss Davis, and Percy Carter.

Asheville, West End—Rev. J. B. Grice, B. G. Hayes, Mrs. C. J. Woody, Miss Andrews, and Miss Morgan.

Antioch—Rev. W. T. Bradey, Z. V. Foister, V. Loven, and Miss Ella Goldsmith.

Avery's Creek—S. O. Ingram.

Bent Creek—Geo. Fullam.

Beaverdam—E. P. Stradley and Rev. W. Haynes.

Biltmore—W. M. Hamrick, P. A. Miller, J. F. Denton, and P. P. Spain.

Berea—J. A. Cordell, and W. M. Whistenhunt.

Bethel—Earle Gooch, M. W. Gooch, and J. H. Goforth.

Black Mountain (North)—John W. Burleson.

Black Mountain (South)—B. N. Allen, and W. B. Dillingham.

Chestnut Grove—C. W. Ray, and Roy Burleson.

Elk Mountain—Rev. R. N. Branson.

Fairview—R. H. Hutchinson.

Flat Creek—J. R. Robinson, J. K. Robinson, and J. B. Roberts.

Gash's Creek—T. J. Ingle, W. J. Goldsmith, J. J. Pressly, and J. Hardin.

Hominy—Levi S. Clark, L. L. Clark, M. H. Morgan, and M. M. Morgan.

Inanda—Eug. Brown, and J. D. Ledford.

Liberty—Rev. Geo. P. Hamrick, W. W. Greene, J. H. Holcombe, and L. W. Young.

Big Ivy—Andrew J. Ingle.

Macedonia—Ezra Sluder, and J. G. Rymer.

Mt. Carmel—E. A. Sluder, T. M. Rymer, D. S. Sluder, and M. M. Sluder.

New Morgan Hill—S. L. Morgan, and Rev. E. J. Morgan.

Reed's Chapel—C. L. Wolfe, and Vonso Settle.

White Rock—O. L. Israel, Collier Morgan, L. Y. Israel.

At 11 a. m. Rev. J. E. Barnard preached the Annual Sermon, Scripture reading Mark 11th chapter, verses 20 to 26, taking the subject, "Faith in God."

The Moderator announced the election of officers for the ensuing year in order.

Bro. J. M. Stoner is nominated for re-election as Moderator, and upon motion, the Clerk cast the ballot for Bro. Stoner and declared him re-elected as Moderator.

Rev. W. T. Bradley was nominated and elected Vice-Moderator.

E. B. Stradley was nominated and elected Clerk.

M. W. Hamrick was nominated and elected Treasurer.

Rev. J. B. Grice was nominated and elected Historian.

The New Bridge Baptist Church, recently organized, and the Riverside Baptist Church, made application for membership in the Buncombe County Association. These applications are referred to the following committee: T. J. Justice, W. Haynes and J. B. Grice.

The Moderator named a Committee on Order of Business: W. T. Bradley, J. B. Grice, and G. D. Carter.

After some discussion, it was decided to adjourn Thursday at noon.

TUESDAY, AT 2 P. M.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Bro. Justice, for the Committee on New Churches, recommends they be admitted to membership in our body. Upon motion the recommendation was adopted, and delegates enrolled as follows: New Bridge—E. B. Murdock, R. D. Buckner; Riverside—Jas. Haynes, N. R. Moss.

The Moderator recognized Bro. Beech, of the Biblical Recorder, and Bro. Burgess, of Chicago, Ill.

Rev. W. T. Bradley submits the report of the Committee on Order of Business, which was adopted, as follows:

TUESDAY.

2:00 p. m.—Sunday Schools.
2:30 p. m.—Periodicals.
3:00 p. m.—Home Missions.

WEDNESDAY.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.
10:00 a. m.—B. Y. P. U.
10:45 a. m.—State Missions.
11:30 a. m.—State of the Church.
12:15 p. m.—Miscellaneous.
12:30 p. m.—Adjournment.
2:00 p. m.—Foreign Missions.
2:45 p. m.—Education.
3:15 p. m.—Orphanage.
3:45 p. m.—Laymen's Movement.
4:15 p. m.—Adjournment.

THURSDAY.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.
10:00 a. m.—Woman's Work.
10:30 a. m.—Historian's Report.
11:30 a. m.—Time, Place, and Preacher for Next Meeting, and Miscellaneous Business.
12 Noon—Adjournment.

We recommend that a committee be appointed at this session to

arrange an order of business for our next meeting so as to provide for a two-days' session.

At 2:15 G. D. Carter presented the report on Sunday Schools.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools.

The following churches did not report Sunday Schools last year: Avery's Creek, Mt. Olive, Mountain View, Pleasant Hill, Reems Creek, Spring Mountain, White Rock.

We do not know whether these churches had Sunday Schools or not, and the chairman of your committee must plead that he did not know he was expected to prepare a report on this subject for this session of the Association until a few days ago, and since he learned his duty he has had no means of finding out whether these churches simply failed to report Sunday Schools or whether they did not have them. We do not like to assume that in this day of advancement that any church in the enlightened County of Buncombe is without a Sunday School; and suggest that the Association make it the duty of the chairman of the Committee on Sunday Schools for next year to endeavor to find out the condition of the Sunday School work in the various churches of the Association, and not rely upon the reports from the churches for his information. While we feel a delicacy, because of our own remissness of duty, in stressing this point, yet we feel the importance of it so keenly that we believe that the Association should make it the duty of the Committee on Sunday Schools to exercise diligence in gathering information, and keep in close personal touch with the Sunday Schools of the Association and render such assistance in the development of Sunday Schools at the weak places as he deems necessary to increase their efficiency.

The training of the young, as well as the old, in a knowledge of the Word of God cannot be too strongly stressed. Our State Convention has provided an expert in Sunday School work, and the Sunday Schools of our Association ought to avail themselves of his skill and information in improving their schools. Prof. E. L. Middleton, the State Superintendent of Sunday Schools, is at the disposal of any Sunday School in the county which desires to improve its methods.

We would recommend an annual house to house canvass of the territory of each church in the interest of the local Sunday School. We are sure there are active young people in every church who would be glad to undertake this work if assigned to it. In this way we will not only increase the attendance in Sunday School but convince the people of the community that we are interested in their religious welfare.

We recommend the organization of a Teacher Training Class in each school, and where a community does not have in it a suitable person for conducting such a training class, we recommend that the Executive Committee be instructed to provide for such communities some one to conduct during the year a Teacher Training Class.

We recommend not only the publications of our Sunday School Board at Nashville, but we especially commend their efforts for increasing the efficiency of our Sunday School teachers. Our Sunday School Board was the first denominational board to inaugurate this teacher training work, and now thousands of our teachers have taken diplomas.

We recommend that our Sunday Schools make an offering once a year for the support of the Sunday School work in the state.

We are gratified at being able to report that with seven churches not reporting Sunday Schools, yet the attendance reported lacks only about four hundred of being equal to the church membership of the Association. But the attendance at Sunday School should be larger than the church membership.

Trusting that the Association will adopt the suggestions we have made in regard to increasing the usefulness of our Sunday Schools, and any other suggestions deemed wise, we

Respectfully submit the foregoing,

G. D. CARTER.

After remarks by G. D. Carter and Rev. John Bomar, the report was adopted.

Rev. W. Haynes presented the report on Periodicals.

The Association was addressed by W. R. Beech, of the Biblical Recorder, Rev. P. R. Young, E. J. Morgan, and Dr. Waller. Upon motion, the report was adopted.

Report on Periodicals.

Your Committee on Periodicals reports that our paper, the "Biblical Recorder," has been modestly knocking at the doors of the Baptist homes in North Carolina for 81 years.

During all these years, many families and individuals have been served and edified, but many more that ought to be reading their denominational paper are confining themselves to dailies and cheap novels, that are woth less than they cost. Therefore, we would recommend that parents and guardians would carefully guard the literature that comes to the homes for the boys and girls to read, as the next generation will be what today makes of them.

For $1.50 the "Recorder" will visit your homes weekly for twelve months by bringing news items, revival news, Sunday School lessons, W. M. U. and Baptist B. Y. P. U. statistics and many other things that all intelligent Christians like to know.

Do you take it?

Respectfully submitted,

W. HAYNES, Chairman.

W. C. McConnell read the report on Home Missions, and the Association was addressed by Rev. J. C. Owen. Upon motion, the report was adopted.

Report on Home Missions.

Home Missions is the organized effort to make our country truly a Christian country. Our Home Board undertakes to co-operate with every other agency engaged to bring about this end. It undertakes to assist when help is most needed. Among these things are building churches where needed, and where the local situation requires such help to build adequately; the building and maintenance of school work among the foreigners in our midst; among the negroes and Indians; work in the slums of our great cities, in Cuba, and along the Panama Canal.

In these different fields the opportunity is limited only by the ability of the Board. We say by the amount of our contributions whether the Board shall advance and continue as at present. or retrench.

The blessing of God on the work has never been so abundant as at present, as shown by the report at the Southern Baptist Convention last May. There were 38,310 baptisms in the effort put forth in this work.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. McCONNELL.

The Moderator announced the Committee on State of the Church: J. B. Grice, E. L. Clark, and Dr. Waller.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. J. C. Owen.

At 8 p. m., Rev. John Bomar, of the French Broad Baptist Church, preached.

Wednesday at 9:30 a. m., devotional exercises conducted by Rev. P. R. Young.

The Moderator recognized Rev. A. I. Justice, of the Henderson County Association; Rev. J. N. Justice, missionary stationed in Argentina; A. Johnson, of Charity and Children, and W. H. Rich, of Georgia.

Upon motion, the Committee on State of the Churches is excused from service, and the Association requested Rev. J. C. Owen and Bro. Judson Morgan to prepare the report.

The Moderator announces Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for next meeting, as follows: Z. V. Foister, Ged Rymer, and T. J. Ingle.

10 a. m., report on B. Y. P. U. is read by Rev. J. B. Grice. Upon motion to adopt, Bro. Grice addressed the Association. The report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Baptist Young People's Union.

To the Buncombe County Baptist Association:

We beg to submit the following report on the work of the Baptist Young People's Union:

The Baptist Young People's Union of the South has done, and is now doing, a vast amount of good in the training of young church members for service; but we regret that it is not more widely known in the churches of the Buncombe Association, and we believe that this is due to indifference on the part of its supposed friends, or modesty on the part of its real friends, or both, in not pressing its claims.

The B. Y. P. U. of America was organized in the Second Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill., in July, 1891, and for several years its influence for organized work among the young people of our denomination was felt in many places in the South, but not as far-reaching as the present B. Y. P. U. of the Southern Baptist Convention, which was organized in Atlanta in November, 1896. The distinctive characteristics of this organization are set forth by Dr. Van Ness in his pamphlet entitled, "B. Y. P. U. work of the Southern Baptist Convention."

"1. It has been developed along strictly denominational lines. This has been in no spirit of narrowness, but with the feeling that a work to be positive and aggressive must be distinctive.

"2. It has been developed in the closest co-operation with the general organization, through which the churches were working.

"3. It has been the basal idea that its mission is to train for church membership."

We also quote from a pamphlet entitled, "A B. Y. P. U.—Why Have One," published by the Baptist Sunday School Board, of Nashville, Tenn., which sets forth the following reasons:

"1. Because it grows out of a necessity realized by the leader of the Church of God.

"2. Because it is spiritual. The whole aim of the Study Courses; their conception and conviction is to keep to the spiritual.

"4. Because it is a troublesome matter. Training is never an easy matter. It takes wisdom, patience, common sense, and genuine religion. But it pays.

"5. Because it is social. Young people are so constituted as to need this; and they will have it.

"6. Because it keeps the young people from drifting.

"7. Because young people are the only material out of which old people are made.

"8. Because it goes down deep enough to get the Juniors. There is one thing better than saving a soul; saving a soul plus a life of service.

"9. It is practical. It works! It does what the church needs done, equips members for service.

"10. The result is efficiency. The curse of the church is inefficiency; a host of weak Christians, who can't do anything for the Lord. The Lord's soldiers, but unable to handle a gun; the Lord's cavalry, but unable to ride a horse; the Lord's hallelujah chorus, but unable to raise a tune."

We have in our own State Convention a State Secretary of the B. Y. P. U., Rev. J. D. Moore, whose headquarters are at Ridgecrest, N. C., and we understand that he is meeting with great success all over the State.

We recommend that the representatives of the various churches composing the Buncombe Association, whose church does not now have a B. Y. P. U. try to get one organized, as soon as possible, and if in need of literature for that purpose, that they write Bro. J. D. Moore, of Ridgecrest, N. C., who will see that their needs are supplied and will render such other assistance as will be necessary to perfect the organization.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. GRICE,
Committee.

10:30 a. m.—The chairman of the Committee on State Missions not being present, Rev. W. T. Bradley moves that that subject be discussed at this time, and Bro. Bradshaw write the report, which is adopted, and the Association was addressed by W. R. Bradshaw, of the State Mission Board.

Report on State Missions.

A year of good work on the part of our missionaries will be reported to the Association this year. A large ingathering has marked the year so far, and many new churches have been organized. But the churches have not responded to the call for funds to sustain this great work. We are facing a large debt. Every year we face this same danger, but at this time all debt is more threatening than ever. Retrenchment in our State Mission work at this time would be disastrous indeed.

Our State Mission work for all the year has been the heart and

core of our church work. The Baptists have been distinctive through the past half century for their intelligent and vigorous prosecution of this work within the limits of North Carolina.

It has put us in the forefront among the denominations of the State. It has planted churches in destitute sections that are now great and powerful centres, and it has changed the religious complexion of many communities.

In the face of all this good to the Old North State we urge our churches to make a heroic effort to set the board free and let it go on in its glorious work.

W. R. BRADSHAW,
For the Committee.

Bro. J. T. Justice moves that Rev. W. H. Rich, of the First Church, Elberton, Ga., be invited to preach at 11 a. m. Motion carried.

11 a. m., preaching by Rev. W. H. Rich, using as his text Romans, sixth chapter and first verse.

Dr. Brown submitted the report of the Executive Committee, showing a balance due on salary of former evangelist, and pledges were taken to pay this debt, as follows:

Asheville, First	$25.00
Asheville, Calvary	5.00
Asheville, French Broad	5.00
Asheville, West End	5.00
Beaverdam	10.00
Biltmore	5.00
Flat Creek	2.50
Fairview	5.00
Gash's Creek	5.00
Hominy	5.00
Liberty	1.00
Mt. Carmel	5.00
Macedonia	1.00
Chestnut Grove	1.00
New Bridge	5.00
J. M. Stoner	1.00
Mrs. Hutchinson	1.00
C. W. Ray	1.00
Miss Morgan	1.00
W. G. Goldsmith	1.00
T. J. Ingle	1.00
B. G. Hayes	1.00
Collier Morgan	1.00
S. L. Morgan	1.00
Total	$94.50

Report of the Executive Committee of Buncombe County Association.

Your Executive Committee reports that they have done nothing during the year, for two reasons. First, we incurred a debt in carrying on the work of evangelism, and the Association at its last session made no provision for paying this debt, and so we have had to carry it over. Second, no specific work was laid out for us to do by the last session of the Association.

The debt incurred by the Committee for the work last year was $123.95. In settling up with the evangelist the Committee borrowed

this sum, and it still remains unpaid. At this session the Association should take pledges to be paid in sixty days covering this amount. The amount is small for a great association, and yet the Executive Committee is embarrassed by having to carry it.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. BROWN,
Secretary.

On motion, adjourned for dinner.

2 p. m.—Dr. Waller moved that the order of business be amended, and that the Association hear Miss Logan's report on Woman's Work. The motion was adopted. and Rev. John Bomar read the report, which was adopted.

Report on Woman's Work.

In making the report on Woman's Work, let us say first that the women of this Association now hold their Annual Associational meeting at a separate time and place from the regular body.

At our meeting in Biltmore August 20th, 1914, there were 85 delegates present. At that time we decided to hold our meeting two weeks in advance of the Buncombe County Association, and in accordance with this we held our Annual Meeting with Calvary Church, West Asheville, July 29th, with 125 delegates present.

Reports were had this year from 15 Women's Missionary Societies, two Young Women's Auxiliaries, two Girls' Auxiliaries, three Royal Ambassador Chapters, and six Sunbeam Bands; total, 28. Of this number 23 were represented at the Annual Meeting. There are ten study classes among these, and 216 subscriptions to Mission magazines.

Our contributions for the year have been:

For Foreign Missions	$ 721.84
" Home Missions	730.13
" State Missions	615.59
" Louisville Training School	45.60
" Other objects	1,339.12
Total	$3,452.28

A great many of the societies have been doing Personal Service during the year. This is our Mission work in our own communities and includes visiting and caring for the sick and strangers, furnishing food and clothing for those in need, cottage prayer meetings, and other needs as found in your own community.

We are endeavoring to bring each of our societies up to our standard of excellence that our work may be more efficient.

At the Annual Meeting each society pledged itself to organize and foster a society in a neighboring church, and we feel that this was one of the greatest results that could come from a meeting of this kind.

In this Association there are 41 churches, only thirteen of which are represented by missionary organizations. Upon examining the records we find that much the larger contributions to Missions are made by churches where there are Woman's Missionary Societies, and it is in view of this fact that we are endeavoring to increase the number of societies. But the ladies of the various organizations cannot do this alone, and they earnestly ask for the cooperation of the ladies and pastors of every church represented

here. We will be glad to go to any church and assist in organizations, furnish literature and aid in every possible way.

We are looking forward to a great year's work and one in which our service may be the best and most acceptable.

(Miss) ANNIE L. LOGAN,
Superintendent.

Rev. J. C. Owen read the report on State of the Churches. J. C. Owen, W. R. Bradshaw and Dr. Waller addressed the Association. The report was adopted.

Report on State of the Churches.

By way of improvement we recommend:

1. That, as an Association, we adopt the principle of the annual every member canvass for the purpose of enlisting each member as a regular contributor to all home expenses and missions.

2. That we undertake to enlist every member of each church in one department or another of our Sunday School work.

3. That each church be urged to give an account of its stewardship by winning to Christ the lost in its midst.

4. That we set ourselves to the task of training all the members of our churches in all departments of Christian life and activity; and that whatever organizations are necessary for this end be effected.

5. That the Association consider the advisability of employing a general worker who shall co-operate with all the churches in the accomplishment of all the above recommended things.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. OWEN,
JUDSON MORGAN.

Bro. W. O. Riddick presents the report on the Orphanage.

Report of Orphanage Committee.

Number of children	500
Annual cost for support of a child	$ 113.28
Monthly cost for support of a child	9.44
Daily cost for support of 500 children	157.39
Current fund ending June 15	46,051.63
Net income from printing office	5,522.91
Circulation "Charity and Children"	17,517
Farm products consumed (estimated)	10,163.24
Permanent improvements at Thomasville	18,760.87
Permanent improvements at Kennedy Home	3,628.04
Milk consumed during the year, gals	23,876
Number of employees, 9 men, 31 women	40
In colleges	9
In high schools	10

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 11th, 1915.

To Buncombe County Baptist Association:

Dear Brethren—Your Committee finds we are all changing our

minds about our orphan children. We parents have always known our own children were precious gifts from God, but we have considered our orphans as burdens imposed upon us. This idea is being fast given up by us and now we know they are benefactors, and one of the most precious gifts of God.

Our Orphanage, for reasons that are well understood, is heavily in debt. The command to go forward came from all quarters. We said to the management, "Go forward," and humanity said "Go forward." We went forward further last year than ever before in any one year. The pressure for added equipment was upon us. The children from the outside were knocking at the door. A new institution, providentially given to the Orphanage, had to be opened up and started on its way. Large improvements had to be made at the original plant in order to carry the work on in the best and most effectual way.

We are at last in splendid condition at Thomasville, but there is much to be done at the Kennedy Memorial Home, and this is the supreme work of the coming year.

We must have a definite plan for our work and contributions. We feel moved and give when it is brought to us, but we are not doing so with enough system and regularity.

Your Commitee makes two recommendations:

First. That we implore every Sunday School in the Association to have one Sunday in every month known as Orphanage Sunday, and that a special collection be taken on that date and all given to the Orphanage.

Second. That we ask every member of this Association to give on Thanksgiving Day the proceeds of one day's work to it. This is certainly not too much to ask. It is not a sacrifice. What say you, brethren? Are you willing to roll up your sleeves and join your brother in the mighty effort? Won't you then undertake to go out and get a dozen others to join you? We ought to have at least a thousand from this Association enlist in this work.

Our Orphanage has been enlarged and still the task looms before us as just begun. We urge every member of this Association to regard the Orphanage in larger terms, as an opportunity unparalleled. This waiting door stands too wide open for "same as last year" to ever again satisfy you with your duty. It is ours directly and not through any agency. God gave it to us direct, and we are proud of it. We love it and will support it.

Fraternally submitted,

W. O. RIDDICK,
For Committee.

On motion to adopt, remarks were made by W. O. Riddick, G. F. Stradley, A. Johnson, W. C. McConnell, W. M. Hamrick, W. Haynes, Dr. Waller, and the Moderator. Dr. Waller proposed that the First Church of Asheville would pay $1,000 a year if the other churches of the county would pay a like amount. The report was adopted.

B. G. Hayes submits the report on Laymen's Movement, which is adopted.

Report on Laymen's Movement.

Not having in my possession encouraging statistics whereby I

can compile a brief and comprehensive report, I have decided to read in your hearing a short discussion of the possibilities and obstacles now confronting the Laymen's Movement.

In 1517 Martin Luther caused to be born the first Protestant denomination of the Reformation. And since then there have been 185 denominations organized, making a total of 186. All honestly and boldly stand for what they believe to be principles of righteousness, but these 186 denominations have apparently hopelessly failed in evangelizing the world. We have today four times more heathen in the world than there were two hundred years after Christ. Millions upon millions of dollars have been spent on Missions since the 17th century, yet the number of people dying without a knowledge of Christ increases rapidly every year. Three-fourths of the people in the United States, to say nothing of the rest of the world, are pleading for the necessities of life, and the things that are wasted would more than satisfy the starving, relieve the sickness and misery of this large per cent. of our people; ten millions of our people actually starving for the bare necessities of life, this leaving about sixty-five millions who are deprived of those little things that go to make home life at least tolerable. We sent to our public schools last year five millions of hungry school children. And what is more appalling, we spent last year three billions of dollars in useless advertising alone, then when you add to this enormous sum six hundred and forty millions for military purposes; about two billions of dollars for liquors, patent medicines, questionable motion pictures, and other things detrimental to the welfare of society, the waste goes to where it is beyond comprehension. Apply a little common sense to some of this waste; divide the three billions uselessly spent in advertising among our hungry school children, thus giving them about six hundred dollars each. As much as the average working man receives for a year's work in the industrial centres of the country. The amounts quoted above do not account for the waste in the non-employment of the two hundred thousand men now spending their time in worse than idleness in the army and navy. Add a salary of a thousand dollars a year to each of these men and you have two hundred millions of dollars to add to our national income. But the waste, startling as it is, can not be measured in dollars and cents. No figures that follow the dollar sign are adequate to measure the loss to society of inventive talent, managing and organizing ability that is now worse than thrown away in the mad scramble of our nation to excel in perfecting instruments of destruction. Just a few days ago the greatest inventive genius of the age, Thomas Edison, gave his consent to become the head of a naval board of invention, thus turning his talent, wonderful as it is, from that of usefulness to that of destroying humanity. Why not use the best talent in the country, as Mr. Edison has been used heretofore; relieving society of drudgery, making scientific discoveries that eternally render assistance to mankind?

Back to religion. We have in the United States thirteen millions of young men between the ages of sixteen and thirty years; twelve millions are not members of any church, Protestant or Catholic; seven millions never enter a church door from one year's end to another. They fill the saloons and the houses of ill-fame, the haunts of vice and corruption. Win this vast army for Christ, then add to it the young men now actively engaged in religious work, and you will have solved many, if not practically all of the evils of the age, so far as our nation is concerned. It should be vividly

realized that to successfully and permanently influence humanity religiously they must first be elevated socially and intelligently. The religious history of the last two thousand years is sufficient proof of this statement. To my mind, illiteracy and poverty are the greatest handicaps to religious progress.

Religious powers of today should realize that to make permanent advancement they should be more than merciful and generous. Religion should find a place for itself in the search for sounder economic conditions and better social organizations that absorb the attention of the age. If we would do this, it would only be a short while until such catastrophes as are now hurling Europe to destruction would only be history never to be repeated so long as the earth is peopled; and such criminal negligence as was exhibited on the Chicago river a few days ago when more than two thousand people, mostly women and children, were struggling in the filthy water for their lives, and more than a thousand of them—yes, **murdered!**—that is the only word that will express it, would cease. People by the thousands are burned in unsafe buildings, drowned through carelessness, perishing for the want of fresh air in inadequately ventilated industrial shops; the blossoms of youth being plucked by the strong hand of greed. There are thousands of other things beinig tolerated by our Government, and we as professing Christians, professing to love our neighbor as ourselves, do not protest loud enough if we protest at all, to make our officials hear.

Brethren, listen! Europe is spending every second about one thousand dollars making desolate what Christianity and civilization have builded in two thousand years. Think of it! sixty thousand dollars a minute; two million four hundred thousand daily; then add to this twenty-two millions of men murdering each other with a ferocity that would disgrace the most vicious tribe in darkest Africa, having murdered more people in the last year than all the wars of all the nations of all the past ages; making their beautiful fields a charnel house of death, and their cities a veritable human slaughter pen; laying desolate their countries; robbing wives of husbands; children of fathers; mothers of sons. Language fails us. We have none sufficiently expressive to begin to tell the appalling story. Then when we dwell on the possibilities of what the Laymen's Movement could do for the world, our minds are almost paralyzed. If it was right and Biblical to organize a federation of all the laymen of all the evangelical denominations of the world into one missionary effort, and that effort was used to elevate humanity socially and intellectually, then follow it with a campaign of evangelization, it would be possible to overcome the evil power now dominating the world. Reading this in your presence, I realize that some of you may take issue with me in some things. But before I close, permit me to say that I have in all earnestness and sincerity brought you this message with one hope and one only, and that for the advancement of righteousness amon us, and the spread of Christ's kingdom; having no antagonistic feeling toward any rightly conducted religious organization, and with no motive of self aggrandizement.

Respectfully submitted,

B. G. HAYES.

Rev. J. M. Justice, missionary to Argentina, addressed the Association on Foreign Missions.

Committee on Time, Place, and Preacher submitted report, which is adopted.

Report of Committee on Time, Place, and Preacher.

Committee on time, place, and preacher for next meeting of the Association recommend Calvary Church, time, Tuesday after second Sunday in August, 1916; Rev. Calvin B. Waller to preach the introductory sermon.

T. J. INGLE,
J. GED RYMER,
Z. V. FOISTER.

Treasurer reported amount of funds collected at Association which was adopted.

Financial Report.

August 11, 1915.

Money received during the sessions of this Association:

Minute fund	$ 30.10
State Missions	16.41
Home Missions	17.06
Foreign Missions	22.53
Sunday School Missions	.50
Orphanage	35.12
Ministerial Relief	2.00
Ministerial Education	2.00
Associational Missions	7.00
	$132.72

M. W. HAMRICK, Treas.

The Moderator announced chairmen of committees for next Annual Meeting. (See Committees).

Committee on Order of Business offer report on Order of Business, which is approved. (See Appendix).

On motion, adjourned until 9:30 a. m., Thursday. Benediction by Rev. A. I. Justice.

Thursday Morning, 9:30. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. A. Davis.

Committee on Apportionment: R. J. Stokeley, J. G. Rymer, E. Morgan, and T. J. Ingle.

Upon motion, the Clerk is requested to write this year's Historian's report and include same in proceedings.

Historian's Report.

The year of 1914-15 has passed. It is what the Baptists of Buncombe County willed. Some of our churches have made great progress; others are on the same plane they occupied twenty-five years ago. The Orphanage excursion run last year by G. F. Stradley, chairman, for the First Church of Asheville, has been the cause of an awakening in our interest in Orphanage work.

This year the Southern Railway offers to run the excursion for us, and make it an annual affair.

Two churches have been added to our membership this year, New Bridge and Riverside.

There are several changes in our pastorates: Rev. J. B. Grice takes charge of the West End Church, leaving the fields of Mt. Carmel, Bethel and Inanda vacant. Rev. C. E. Beaver will leave the Swannanoa field; possibly will go to Mt. Carmel. Rev. H. P. Freeman is again in our Association, Gash's Creek and Reed's Chapel. Rev. W. W. Marr is now in Henderson County. Rev. O. L. Orr has gone to Fort Worth, Texas. Rev. John E. Barnard has given up the pastorate at South French Broad avenue. We welcome Rev. John Bomar to our Association from South Carolina. Rev. M. A. Jenkins, D. D., is now at Biltmore. Rev. C. E. Jervis, who has long been one of our preaching pastors, has gone higher since we last met for some other phases of our work. You can well read Bro. Owens' report on the State of the Churches.

E. B. STRADLEY,
For Historian.

Resolution on hospitality adopted, as follows:

Hospitality.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are hereby tendered to the Hominy Baptist Church and community for their abundant hospitality and Christian greeting during our stay with them.

R. H. Hutchinson presented Report on Education, and upon motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by R. H. Hutchinson, Rev. E. J. Morgan, Rev. W. Haynes, and J. A. Davis. The report was adopted.

Report on Education.

Christian education is second only to evangelization. An educated citizenship is necessary for a free democratic government. A Christian education is even more necessary for an efficient evangelical church. The demand today is for an educated spiritual leadership in our churches. With education advancing by leaps and bounds there is a tendency to minimize and overshadow the Church schools fostering Christian education. With a larger per cent. of our leadership coming from non-Christian institutions, spiritual leadership in the Church must decline. Not only must Christian education be maintained to stimulate and train the ministry, but the backbone of the Church membership as well.

Not only should we build up and maintain the Church schools, but when consistent, we should support them with our patronage.

R. H. HUTCHINSON,
For the Committee.

Adopted by motion.

The Committee on Apportionment made their report, which was adopted. (Appendix).

The Clerk was instructed to superintend printing of minutes and receive $10.00 for his services.

Report on Order of Business for 1916 was read and adopted. (See Appendix).

The business of the Association being completed, adjourned to

meet with Calvary Baptist Church, West Asheville. Tuesday, August 16, 1916, at 9:30 a. m.

J. M. STONER,
Moderator.

E. B. STRADLEY, Clerk.

State of the Churches.

We wish to consider this subject under three heads: 1, "Evangelism;" 2, "Training;" 3, "Stewardship."

First. Evangelism in our Association. There are 38 churches in our Association with approximately 4,200 membership. Of these 22 churches report additions by baptisms, and 16 report none. This means that 42 per cent. of our churches have done nothing along this line for the past year.

Second, Training. Under this head we have two groups of organizations: (1) The Sunday Schools. All of our churches—except one—have Sunday Schools. But only about 50 per cent. of our church membership is in the Sunday School. (2) Other organizations: (a) 6 churches report B. Y. P. U.'s; 32 have none; (b) only 15 churches report W. M. Societies, 23 have none; (c) 13 churches report other organizations for the purpose either of enlisting or training the membership.

Third, Stewardship. Under this head we note: (a) That as an Association we have paid for all home expenses, $67,239.43, or $14.08 per member; (b) For all benevolences we have paid $7,269.60, or $159 per member.

TABLE I—STATISTICAL.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	POSTOFFICE.	CLERK.	POSTOFFICE.	Time of Preaching.	Value of Church Property.	GAINS. By Baptism.	GAINS. By Letter.	GAINS. By Restoration.	L By Letter.
Avery's Creek	Chas. F. Owen.	Waynesville	S. O. Ingram	Arden	4	$ 200	....	1	....	
Asheville, First	Calvin B. Waller.	Asheville	J. A. Egerton	Asheville	4	92,500	69	129	....	5
Asheville, Fr. Bd.	Jno. Bomar	Asheville	J. A. Grove	Asheville	4	12,000	7	18	....	4
Asheville, Clvry.			Geo. Starnes, Jr.	Asheville, R. 3	4	3,750	35	20	....	1
Asheville, W. Ed.	O. L. Orr	Asheville	L. M. Revis	Asheville	4	5,000	10	32	7	
Beaverdam	W. T. Bradley	Stockville	E. P. Stradley	Asheville, R. 1	2 & 4	1,400	3	3	....	
Bent Creek	S. J. Morgan, Jr.	Asheville, R. 3	Mrs. Z.V. Cr'sm'n	Biltmore, R. 3	2		3	1	....	
Berea	C. E. Beaver	Black Mountain	J. A. Cordell	Swannanoa, R. 1.	4	1,800	3	1	....	...
Biltmore	M. A. Jenkins	Asheville	J. P. Kitchen	Biltmore	4	5,500	3	5	....	1
Bethel	J. B. Grice	Asheville	Earle B. Gooche.	Asheville, R. 4	2 & 3	500	5	8	1	...
Blk Mtn., South.	C. E. Beaver	Black Mountain	B. M. Allen	Black Mountain		4,000	16	18	....	
Blk Mtn., North.	W. P. Robertson.	Barnardsville	Ellis Burleson	Rock View	4	1,500	7	4	....	
*Brown's Chapel.			S. A. Bradley.	Beech			....	....	....	...
Big Ivy	W. P. Robertson	Barnardsville	Jennie Whitaker.	Barnardsville	2	4,000	7	8	....	1
Antioch	W. P. McCarter.	Democrat	C. S. Gentry	Democrat	3	1,200	1	5	....	
Chestnut Grove	W. P. Robertson.	Barnardsville	Roy Burleson	Dillingham	4	1,000	8	2	....	...
Fairview	N. B. Phillips	Fair View	R. A. Morgan	Fair View	4	10,000	15	1	1	1
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradley	Stockville	M. B. Spivy	Stockville	1	1,000	....	2	....	
Gash's Creek	H. R. Freeman.	Hendersonville	W. L. Hart	Biltmore	2 & 4	5,000	14	3	....	
Hominy	L. B. White	Clyde	L. L. Clark	Candler	1	2,500	....	2	....	
Inanda	J. B. Grice	Asheville	T. H. Byres	Biltmore, R. 3	2 & 4	1,000	....	2	....	
*Jupiter			S. L. Roberts	Alexander			....	....	....	...
Liberty	G. P. Hamrick.	Canton	L. W. Young	Candler	4	1,000	....	2	....	
Mt. Carmel	J. B. Grice	Asheville	L. D. Brookshire	Asheville, R. 4	1 & 3	1,000	2	8	....	
Macedonia	J. W. Corn	Marshall, R. 2	Hugh Rymer	Alexander, R. 1.	2	600	1	....	....	
*Morgan Hill			J. J. Ammons	Stockville			....	....	....	...
New M'gan Hill.	W. M. Pruitt	Hazelwood	S. L. Morgan	Candler	3	100	....	4	....	
*Pleasant Grove.			Eli Garren	Fair View			....	....	....	...
Reed's Chapel	H. R. Freeman.	Hendersonville	A. T. Davidson.	Biltmore	2 & 4	1,000	17	4	....	...
Reems Creek							....	....	....	...
Ridge Crest	J. R. Pace	Ridge Crest	Mrs. C. J. Biggus	Ridge Crest	4	500	24	12	....	
Ridgeway	L. B. White	Clyde	J. V. Morgan	Candler	4	1,500	7	....	1	...
*Swannanoa			L. B. Buchanan.	Swannanoa			....	....	....	...
*Spring Mtn.							....	....	....	...
White Rock	W. M. Pruitt	Hazelwood	Collier Morgan	Candler	4	3,000	14	4	2	
Riverside			W. Erwin	Asheville, R. 5			....	....	....	...
New Bridge	J. A. Davis	Mars Hill	M. A. Lominac.	Asheville, R. 4	4		....	2	....	...
							271	301	12	2

TABLE II—FINANCIAL.

	Building and Repairs.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	The Poor.	Minute Fund.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Colleges and Schools.	Other Objects.	Total.
75.00	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 1.00	$.....	$ 3.00	$ 3.00	$ 3.00	$ .50	$ 5.00	$ 1.00	$ 1.00	$.....	$.....	$ 92.50
00.00	.....	.....	11.27	.....	2.00	.....	15.00	8.15	8.15	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	154.57
00.00	4341.15	4111.01	451.17	250.81	10.00	91.22	753.58	1000.00	1668.58	10.00	778.44	40.00	15.00	29.90	600.00	17150.86
00.00	50.00	23.47	164.27	20.00	3.00	.....	89.52	96.00	92.14	.....	145.85	5.00	.....	114.95	43.35	2047.55
00.00	6750.00	230.50	141.94	2.71	3.00	.....	115.40	38.83	15.41	18.05	104.18	.....	.....	220.00	360.23	3125.25
44.00	60.00	40.60	72.79	5.00	2.00	.....	30.97	30.96	33.43	.....	53.35	10.00	.....	5.00	146.79	1434.89
00.00	.....	26.60	25.20	9.60	2.00	.....	76.74	72.42	83.83	3.00	153.82	5.00	2.50	.....	44.54	705.25
57.00	.....	.....	8.00	3.00	1.40	.....	5.00	5.00	5.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	89.40
00.00	.....	2.00	11.10	.....	.50	.....	13.00	10.00	13.00	.....	13.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	162.60
00.00	100.00	170.20	121.05	23.05	2.00	.....	25.00	26.69	6.69	.....	105.00	.....	.....	.....	19.00	1498.68
60.00	.....	.....	23.08	.....	3.00	3.75	3.75	7.50	7.50	1.00	23.31	3.00	3.00	.....	.....	138.89
50.00	31.38	.....	6.27	5.00	.80	1.50	1.50	3.00	3.50	1.00	2.50	2.00	1.00	.....	.....	109.45
08.56	.....	68.40	17.78	15.00	.60	.....	8.00	7.50	8.00	.....	23.50	.....	.....	.....	33.50	490.84
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
50.00	6.00	.....	58.00	109.00	2.00	.....	7.91	7.91	7.95	.....	18.05	.....	.....	.....	.....	368.82
75.00	.....	52.00	4.70	1.00	1.00	.....	2.50	4.00	4.00	.....	2.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	148.20
00.00	5000.00	60.00	69.46	25.00	3.00	.....	100.00	50.00	50.00	.....	75.00	10.00	5.00	25.00	.....	7272.46
50.00	.....	7.32	7.67	2.76	.70	.....	10.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	13.84	1.00	1.00	.....	52.56	167.90
55.00	2.25	12.50	19.50	23.15	1.50	.....	2.86	2.86	.....	.....	14.30	.....	.....	.....	.....	233.92
83.65	.....	39.75	8.93	.....	1.00	.....	5.50	5.50	11.00	.....	16.43	.....	.....	.....	.....	171.76
41.77	.....	.....	21.58	.....	1.25	.....	3.00	24.88	5.00	2.10	21.00	.....	.....	.....	10.12	130.70
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70.36	.....	6.00	21.33	.....	1.05	.....	10.00	8.80	.....	.....	16.35	.....	.....	.....	.....	133.89
80.00	.....	75.00	51.13	.....	1.50	.....	16.00	16.00	21.00	2.00	44.00	2.00	2.00	.....	65.00	475.63
03.00	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	.60	.....	.....	.....	4.72	.....	33.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	151.82
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50.00	.....	5.50	15.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	86.50
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74.56	.....	5.00	8.80	2.40	.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	91.26
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
50.00	3.75	19.31	23.80	.....	1.05	.....	7.10	18.02	16.53	.....	11.53	.....	.....	.....	8.84	159.93
81.34	54.25	.....	21.21	.....	1.75	.....	1.75	29.18	4.25	.....	3.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	197.43
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05.11	.....	.....	11.00	.....	1.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.72	.....	.....	.....	.....	118.33
.....	.....	.....	80.84	56.55	.50	.....	15.00	20.94	13.29	.....	3.50	.....	.....	.....	19.53	210.15
00.00	124.55	5.00	55.09	.....	1.50	.....	2.50	5.00	2.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70.25	866.39
64.35	$10448.33	$4960.16	$1536.96	$559.03	$52.75	$96.47	$1324.58	$1517.14	$2103.47	$38.65	$1701.87	$80.00	$31.50	$394.85	$1473.71	$38185.82

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCH.	SUPT.	POSTOFFICE.	SECRETARY.	POSTOFFICE.	No. of Schools.	Officers and Tchrs.	Pupils.	Total Enrollment.	Church Members in Sunday School.	Months Kept Open.	Baptisms from Schl.	School Expenses.	
Asheville, First	A. I. Ruby	Asheville	Lee Ownby	Asheville	4	104	895	999	....	12	37	$ 451.17	$
Asheville, W.End	B. G. Young	Asheville	Earl Eller	Asheville	1	16	261	277	....	12	..	72.79	
Asheville, Fr. Bd.	G. D. Carter	Asheville	Miss Ada Beck	Asheville	1	15	175	190	90	12	7	141.94	
Asheville, C'lv'ry.	H. A. Brown	Asheville	J. W. Baily	Asheville, R. 3	1	16	250	266	115	12	32	164.27	
Averys Creek					..	..	....	....	....	..	..		
*Antioch	Z. V. Foister	Democrat	Ella Goldsmith	Democrat	1	11	71	82	60	12	..	11.27	
Beaverdam	W. B. Sc'b'rough	Asheville, R. 1	J. G. Greenwood	Asheville, R. 1	1	8	66	74	28	12	3	25.20	
Berea	J. A. Cordell	Swannanoa	Vance Shope	Swannanoa, R. 1	1	7	50	57	25	12	..	11.10	
Bethel	J. P. Green	Asheville, R.	Maggie Greene	Asheville, R. 3	1	10	88	98	....	12	4	23.08	
Bent Creek	G. R. Redman	Biltmore, R. 3	Miss Edna Hayes	Biltmore, R. 3	1	5	60	65	20	8	..	8.00	
Biltmore	M. W. Hamrick	Asheville	L. D. Maney	Biltmore	1	15	118	133	....	12	..	121.05	
Blk. Mtn., North.	J. R. Bailey	Rock View	Ellis Burleson	Rock View	1	7	66	73	....	10	6	6.27	
Blk. Mtn., South.	L. B. Hudgins	Blk. Mountain	B. N. Allen	Blk. Mountain	1	11	162	173	....	12	10	17.78	
Brown's Chapel					..	..	....	....	....	..	..		
Big Ivy	T. O. Case	Barnardsville	Jennie Whitaker	Barnardsville	1	15	150	165	100	12	7	58.00	
Fair View	J. R. Grant	Fair View	S. J. Merrill	Fair View	3	24	345	369	230	12	12	69.46	
Chestnut Grove	H. V. Hensley	Dillingham	Bonnie Hensley	Dillingham	1	10	50	60	35	12	8	4.70	
Flat Creek	J. E. Chandler	Weaverville	Myrtle Chandler	Weaverville	1	9	71	80	40	12	..	7.67	
Gash's Creek	T. J. Ingle	Azalea	F. A. Wilkerson	Biltmore	1	7	81	88	30	12	7	19.50	
Hominy	E. L. Clark	Candler	Cecil Bruton	Candler	1	8	48	56	30	12	..	8.93	
Inanda	Eug. Brown	Candler	J. D. Ledford	Asheville, R. 3	1	6	60	66	20	12	..	21.58	
Jupiter					..	..	....	....	....	..	..		
Liberty	W. W. Greene	Candler	J. V. Roberson	Candler	1	9	47	56	20	12	..	21.33	
Mt. Carmel	L. H. Young	Asheville, R. 4	A. E. Sluder	Asheville, R. 4	1	13	125	138	....	12	2	51.13	
Macedonia	Ezra Sluder	Alexander	Edna Rymer	Alexander	1	6	54	60	....	12	..	5.00	
*Morgan Hill					..	..	....	....	....	..	..		
New Morgan Hill	O. E. Gillespie	Candler	S. L. Morgan	Candler	1	8	75	83	24	12	..	15.00	
**Pleasant Grove					..	..	....	....	....	..	..		
**Pleasant Hill					..	..	....	....	....	..	..		
Reeds Chapel	J. J. Harris	Biltmore	T. A. Roberts	Biltmore	1	6	95	101	20	12	17	8.80	
*Reems Creek					..	..	....	....	....	..	..		
Ridge Crest	J. T. Harris	Ridgecrest	L. E. Sigmon	Ridge Crest	2	8	57	65	....	12	24	23.80	
Ridgeway	O. H. Winchester	Candler	R. E. Morgan	Candler, R. 3	1	8	98	106	29	12	6	21.21	
**Swannanoa					..	..	....	....	....	..	..		
*Spring Mtn.					..	..	....	....	....	..	..		
White Rock	O. L. Israel	Candler	Altha Israel	Candler	1	8	35	43	20	12	..	11.00	
Riverside	Miss A. B. Hough	Asheville	Miss S.K. Salinas	Asheville	1	4	111	115	10	12	..	80.84	
New Bridge	M. A. Lominac	Asheville, R. 1	Geo. Baird	Asheville, R. 1	1	10	75	85	40	12	8	55.09	
					..	384	3839	4223	....	..	..	$1536.96	$

*No Sunday School. **No report, 1915.

CHURCHES.	State and Associational Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Aged Ministers.	Total.
Asheville, First	$ 900.00	$ 900.00	$1,500.00	$ 25.00	$ 900.00	$175.00	$25.00	$4,425.00
Antioch	25.00	20.00	55.00	1.00	15.00	1.00	1.00	118.00
Avery's Creek	3.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	6.00	1.00	1.00	18.00
Beaverdam	50.00	50.00	50.00	3.00	40.00	3.00	2.00	198.00
Berea	15.00	15.00	15.00	1.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	59.00
Bent Creek	2.50	2.50	2.50	1.00	8.00	1.00	1.00	18.50
Bethel	8.00	8.00	8.00	1.00	10.00	3.00	1.00	39.00
Big Ivy	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	63.00
Biltmore	50.00	50.00	50.00	5.00	90.00	5.00	3.00	253.00
Black Mountain, North	3.00	4.00	3.00	1.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	19.00
Black Mountain, South	9.00	9.00	9.00	1.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	41.00
Brown's Chapel	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	3.00	1.00	1.00	13.00
Calvary	90.00	90.00	90.00	5.00	125.00	15.00	10.00	425.00
Chestnut Grove	3.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	16.00
Elk Mountain	6.00	7.00	7.50	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	28.50
Fairview	100.00	50.00	50.00	5.00	80.00	5.00	3.00	293.00
Flat Creek	10.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	22.00	2.00	1.00	56.00
French Broad Ave	100.00	40.00	60.00	10.00	110.00	10.00	5.00	335.00
Gash's Creek	15.00	15.00	15.00	2.00	17.00	3.00	2.00	69.00
Hominy	15.00	15.00	15.00	2.00	17.00	2.00	1.00	67.00
Inanda	3.00	3.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	21.00
Jupiter	7.50	7.50	10.00	1.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	39.00
Liberty	10.00	8.00	6.00	1.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	38.00
Macedonia	7.50	7.50	7.50	1.00	15.00	2.00	1.00	41.50
Morgan Hill	7.00	7.00	7.00	1.00	8.00	3.00	1.00	34.00
Mount Carmel	15.00	15.00	20.00	2.00	47.00	2.00	2.00	103.00
Mount Olive	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	3.00	1.00	1.00	13.00
Mountain View	3.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	21.00
New Salem	3.00	3.00	3.00	.50	3.00	1.00	1.00	14.50
New Morgan Hill	6.00	6.00	6.00	1.00	8.00	1.00	1.00	29.00
Pleasant Grove	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	7.00	1.00	1.00	25.00
Pleasant Hill	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	5.00	2.00	1.00	16.00
Reed's Chapel	10.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	15.00	2.00	1.00	49.00
Reems Creek	2.50	2.50	2.50	1.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	14.50
Ridge-Way	3.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	7.00	2.00	1.00	20.00
Ridge Crest	3.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	15.00
Spring Mountain	2.00	2.00	3.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	14.00
Swannanoa	4.00	4.00	4.00	1.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	21.00
West End	80.00	45.00	45.00	5.00	100.00	7.50	5.00	287.50
White Rock	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	24.00
	$1,603.50	$1,455.50	$2,113.50	$106.00	$1,748.00	$278.50	$89.00	$7,394.00

R. J. STOKELEY,
J. G. RHYMER.
ENOCH MORGAN,
T. J. INGLE,
} Committee.

TABLE IV—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

CHURCH.	NAME OF ORGANIZATION.	PRESIDENT.	POSTOFFICE.	No. of Members.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Training School.	Other Objects.	Total Contributions.
Atnioch	W. M. S.	Mrs. Mattie Hensley	Democrat	21	$.....	$ 2.50	$ 2.50	$.....	$ 57.50	$ 62.50
Asheville, First	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. B. Waller	Asheville	105	214.93	439.82	456.70	3.65	725.32	1840.42
Beaverdam	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. E. Carter	Asheville, R. 1	7	17.00	25.75	25.50	.....	61.35	129.60
Berea	W. M. S.	Mrs. Mary Alexander	Swannanoa, R. 1.	....	5.00	.....	8.00	.....	.....	13.00
Biltmore	W. M. S.	Mrs. Sue Reed	Biltmore	12	9.00	8.00	6.69	.....	11.00	34.69
Calvary	W. M. S.	Mrs. B. B. Jones	Asheville, R. 3	17	15.00	7.25	5.00	6.00	16.75	50.00
Fairview	W. M. S.	Mrs. R. H. Hutchinson	Fairview	10	.....	12.90	8.13	.....	5.50	26.53
French Bd. Ave.	W. M. S.	Mrs. E. M. Smith	Asheville	28	136.63	57.38	18.13	.....	126.50	338.64
Riverside	W. M. S.	Mrs. W. R. Buckner	Asheville	20	15.00	20.94	6.25	.....	46.15	88.34
Ridgecrest	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. J. Biggers	Ridgecrest	18	1.25	13.00	10.00	.....	4.25	28.50
S. Blk. Mtn.	W. M. S.	Mrs. T. W. Ingle	Black Mountain.	16	8.00	7.50	8.00	.....	1.00	24.50
West End	W. M. S.	Mrs. O. L. Orr	Asheville	15	.....	2.05	.....	.....	.....	2.05
Woodfin Hill	W. M. S.	Mrs. W. C. McConnell	Asheville	14	127.05	11.10	7.50	.....	30.65	176.30
Asheville, First	Y. W. A.	Miss Hattie Lance	Asheville	40	62.73	105.45	148.00	30.00	238.50	548.68
Calvary	Y. W. A.	Miss Charlotte Daves	Asheville, R. 3	22	.....	4.40	1.35	5.95	12.40	24.10
French Bd. Ave.	G. Aux.	Miss Alice Klutz	Asheville	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West End	G. Aux.	Miss Bertie Cook	Asheville	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Calvary	R. Amb.	John L. Lawrence	Asheville, R. 3	25	.....	.....	3.50	.....	.....	3.50
West End	R. Amb.	Cecil Grice	Asheville	15	.....	1.50	.....	.....	.....	1.50
Calvary	Sunbeams	Evangeline Jenkins	Asheville	42	.....	.30	.....	.....	.....	.30
French Bd. Ave.	Sunbeams	Pauline Waddell	Asheville	14	4.00	9.09	6.59	.....	.....	19.68
West End	Sunbeams	Bertie Cook	Asheville	68	.....	1.20	.....	.....	2.25	3.45
Totals	.....	.....	.....	528	$615.59	$730.13	$721.84	$45.60	$1339.12	$3452.28

CONSTITUTION

Article I.—Name.

This Association shall be known as Buncombe County Baptist Association.

Article II.—Objects.

The objects of this Association shall be:

1. To elicit, combine and direct the energies of the Baptists of Buncombe County in one sacred effort to encourage and promote the propagation of the Gospel within our bounds.

2. To foster and promote, under the auspices of the Baptist State Convention, the cause of State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, Orphanage, Sunday School and Colportage, Old Ministers' Relief and Temperance.

3. This Association disclaims to exercise lordship over the churches or to have any power which entitles it to infringe upon the internal rights of any of the churches composing it.

Article III.—Constituency.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent by each Baptist Church in Buncombe County, who shall be duly recommended by letter from the Church to which they belong; provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is so situated as to make it more convenient from natural causes to belong to this body shall be entitled to membership and representation in this Association.

Sec. 2. Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members exceeding twenty-five.

Sec. 3. Name of no delegates shall appear in the Minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

Article IV.

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historian.

Sec. 2. All the officers shall be elected annually immediately after the reading of the church letters and the enrollment of the delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the other officers in any way the Association may direct.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at all meetings of the body, and keep order in accordance with Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to preside in the absence of the Moderator.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of this body in a business-like manner, to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes of the Association, and to turn them over to his successor.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds belonging to the Association, and to pay them out to the objects for which they were collected.

It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep a record of such items as would be of interest to a future Historian, to preserve the same in a book. He shall also keep a file of the Minutes.

Article 5.—Committees.

At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees, whose duty it shall be to report at the next annual meeting: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State of the Churches, Orphanage, Sunday Schools, Temperance, Woman's Work, Order of Business, Time and Place and Annual Sermon for the Next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

Article 6.

The Association shall at each annual meeting appoint an Executive Board to consist of the officers of the Association and three judicious and active brethren; three of whom shall constitute a quorum. All pastors shall be associate members of the Board.

The Executive Board shall superintend the mission work in the county, and carry out the resolutions and orders of the Association during its recess.

This Board shall be empowered to fill all vacancies which may occur during the year.

Article 7.—Church Letters.

The letters from the churches shall give the following information: name of church and date of organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in its membership and their postoffices; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded, number of deaths during the year; time of meetings; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, education, Orphanage, Sunday School, and for any other objects.

Report of Sunday School will show the name of the Superintendent and Secretary with their postoffices, number enrolled, average attendance during the year, amount paid for the support of the Sunday School and for benevolent objects.

Article 8.

This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual Parliamentary Practice.

Article 9.

This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article 10.

Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

Article 11.

This Association may carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article 12.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

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August 15-16, 1916

J. M. STONER, Moderator.....Asheville, N. C.
REV. W. HAYNES, Vice-Moderator.....Asheville, N. C.
E. B. STRADLEY, Clerk.....Asheville, N. C.
G. D. CARTER, Treasurer.....Asheville, N. C.
REV. J. B. GRICE, Historian.....Asheville, N. C.

The next session will be held with the Fair View Baptist Church August 14th and 15th, 1917.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Brown, A. E., D. D.	Asheville, No. 3
Bomar, John	Asheville
Bradley, W. T.	Stockville
Branson, R. N.	Asheville, No. 5
Bennett, J. C.	Candler
Cleveland, W. C.	Biltmore
DeLoatch, B. F.	Black Mountain
Devault, L. R.	Asheville
Grice, J. B.	Asheville
Hutchinson, C. O.	Asheville
Haynes, W.	Asheville, No. 1
Killian, H. B.	Asheville, N. 3
Moore, S. F.	Fairview
Morgan, E. J.	Candler
Morgan, S. J.	Stockville
Morgan, S. J., Jr.	Asheville, No. 3
Owen, J. C.	Asheville
Phillips, N. B.	Fairview
Pace, J. R.	Ridgecrest
Pickens, J. M.	Alexander, No. 2
Plemmons, Jas.	Candler
Proffitt, M. S.	Stockville
Rock, C. M.	Biltmore
Redmon, G. W.	Biltmore, No. 3
Robertson, W. P.	Barnardsville
Sluder, M. M.	Asheville, No. 4
Wainboth, M. M., D. D.	Asheville, No. 3
Waller, C. B., D. D.	Asheville
Woodall, W. H.	Asheville

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. M. Stoner E. B. Stradley Rev. J. B. Grice Rev. John Bomar
Rev. W. Haynes G. D. Carter Rev. A. E. Brown
E. N. Wright

The Executive Committee meets in Dr. Brown's office, American National Bank Building, upon call of the Secretary.

Office of G. D. Carter, Treasurer, 23 Temple Court.

ORDER OF BUSINESS, 1917.

FIRST DAY.

9:00 a. m.—Devotional.
9:45 a. m.—Reading Letters.
10:30 a. m.—Organization.
11:00 a. m.—Annual Sermon.
12:00 Noon—Adjourn for Dinner.
1:30 p. m.—Education—E. P. Stradley.
2:15 p. m.—Sunday Schools— E. N. Wright.
3:00 p. m.—State Missions—W. R. Rock.
4:00 p. m.—Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

EVENING SESSION.

8:00 p. m.—Missionary Night—Home and Foreign. C. O. Hutchinson, J. B. Grice.

SECOND DAY.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional.
9:45 a. m.—B. Y. P. U.—J. L. Lawrence.
10:15 a. m.—Laymen's Movement—Dr. Waller.
11:00 a. m.—Orphanage—W. O. Riddick.
12:00 Noon—Adjourn for Dinner.
1:30 p. m.—Temperance—Dr. Whittington.
2:00 p. m.—State of the Churches—Rev. W. T. Bradley.
2:45 p. m.—Periodicals—W. Haynes.
3:15 p. m.—Woman's Work—Miss Logan.
4:00 p. m.—Miscellaneous.
4:15 p. m.—Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS

FIRST DAY'S SESSION.

The Thirty-Fifth Annual Session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with the Calvary Baptist Church, West Asheville, August 15th and 16th, 1916. Called to order by the Moderator, John M. Stoner.

Rev. W. Haynes conducted the devotional exercises.

Letters were read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Asheville, First Church—Rev. Calvin B. Waller, J. T. Justice, E. B. Stradley, J. M. Stoner, W. C. McConnell, J. R. Treadway, N. Buckner, Sr., L. R. Devault, Mrs. Justice, Mrs. Purefoy, Mrs. Tucker.

Asheville, West End—Rev. J. B. Grice, C. E. Grove, C. J. Woody, M. W. Gooch, Miss Effie Wolfe, Miss Candler, Miss Woody, Miss Andrews.

Asheville, French Broad Ave.—Rev. John Bomar, G. D. Carter, J. M. Spurlin, P. C. Orpin, S. P. Davis, J. A. Grove, Mrs. Briggs, Mrs. Killian, Mrs. Klutz, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Holden, Mrs. Spurlin, Mrs. Bomar.

Asheville, Calvary—H. B. Killian, W. L. Holcombe, Dr. A. E. Brown, W. M. Howell, John Lawrence, B. B. Jones, J. L. Welch.

Asheville, North—C. N. Maxwell, Miss Ida Haynes.

Avery's Creek—S. O. Ingram.

Antioch—Rev. J. A. Davis, S. Harter and Rev. W. T. Bradley.

Beaverdam—W. B. Scarbrough, Rev. W. Haynes, E. P. Stradley, Chas. Carter, E. C. Carter, Mrs. C. F. Rice.

Berea—J. A. Cordell and Luther Cordell.

Big Ivy—D. W. Shuford, Miss Jennie Whitaker and Guy Whitaker.

Brown's Chapel—S. O. Bradley.

Biltmore—Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Miller, Mrs. J. P. Feezor, Rev. C. M. Rock, M. W. Hamrick, Mrs. Sue Reed, Mrs. C. M. Rock.

Black Mountain (South)—L. B. Hudgins, Rev. B. F. DeLoatch.

Chestnut Grove—Roy Burleson.

Fair View—J. H. McDonald.

Flat Creek—J. K. Robinson, M. B. Spivey, O. D. Williams, Curtis Robinson, Troy Buckner, Mrs. M. B. Spivey, Mrs. Emma Buckner.

Gash's Creek—Luther Hart, Mrs. Luther Hart, Miss Edith Murphy, and Miss Daphine Sales.

Hominy—Spurgeon Clark, R. H. Hutchinson, Levi S. Clark, and Rev. J. C. Bennett.

Elk Mountain—J. B. Gosnell and Rev. J. H. Wade.

Inanda—J. D. Ledford and T. H. Byers.

Jupiter—G. D. Edwards and Rev. W. A. Stephenson.

Liberty—L. C. Holcombe, M. C. Roberson, L. W. Young.

Mt. Carmel—A. L. Barnes, Marshall Redmon and Jessie Rymer.

Morgan Hill—Jas. N. Morgan.

Reed's Chapel—J. J. Harris.

Ridgeway—R. E. Morgan.

Riverside—Jas. F. Haynes, J. Watkins, W. R. Moss, Robt. Buckner.

New Bridge—Rev. C. O. Hutchinson and wife.

Spring Mountain—Tom Guffey, W. O. Wilson and Sam Guffey.
White Rock—O. L. Israel.

The following visitors were recognized during the sessions of the Association: Bro. Hunneycutt, of Gaffney, S. C.; W. R. Bradshaw, State Board; Dr. Poteat, Wake Forest College; F. H. Hamrick, Orphanage; Rev. A. I. Justice and Prof. Melton, of Fruitland Institute.

The Moderator announced the election of officers for the ensuing year in order.

Rev. W. T. Bradley nominated John M. Stoner to succeed himself as Moderator for the ensuing year. Upon motion, the Clerk cast the entire vote for Bro. Stoner, and he was declared elected.

Other officers were nominated and elected as follows:

Vice-Moderator—Rev. W. Haynes.
Clerk—E. B. Stradley.
Treasurer—G. D. Carter.
Historian—Rev. J. B. Grice.

The North Asheville Baptist Church makes application for membership in the Association, which was received and referred to the following committee: J. T. Justice, E. P. Stradley, E. J. Ingle.

At 11 a. m., Dr. Waller preached from Mark 7:24, upon the theme, "The Unbidden Christ."

Adjourned for dinner.

TUESDAY, AT 1:30 P. M., AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association called to order by Vice-Moderator Haynes. Rev. W. T. Bradley led in prayer.

The committee on application of North Asheville Baptist Church for admission to the Association recommend that the church be admitted, and upon motion, the report is adopted.

C. N. Maxwell read the report on Sunday Schools. Upon motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by Rev. W. H. Woodell and C. N. Maxwell. The report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools.

August 15th, 1916.

We, the Committee on Sunday Schools, do desire to submit the following report:

There is only one church that does not report a Sunday School according to the information which I have received since having the duty of making this report thrust upon me. This being due to the fact that Mr. B. G. Hayes is unable to attend. We all must realize that the greatest necessity of the working church is the teaching branch of the church which we call the Sunday school.

I do not feel that I would exaggerate in the least if I would say that the church could never exist if the teaching branch is not at work in some form or other.

There are two chief points that I wish to stress much more than anything else.

First—The Trained Teacher. We would no more send our child to a school to be taught by a child than we would think of having our colts trained by our babies. It is unreasonable. Let us be diligent in the work of our Lord so that we will be able to progress with the rapid advance of the Christian civilization. To get the

best results we must have trained teachers. The Sunday School Board provides a course of study for the Sunday School teachers, which, when finished, gives rise to a great desire in the learner's heart to be efficient not only in teaching, but it inspires them to higher and nobler things for the Master.

This work of teacher training was started by Dr. Burroughs, of Nashville, Tenn., at a meeting held about three years ago. At the First Baptist Church in Asheville, it was taken up by Brother A. I. Ruby, deceased. After his death the work is progressing under the leadership of Mrs. Wm. Creasman, who has proved a great inspirer for the young people.

During the past year she finished the entire course and became the second post-graduate Kings Teacher in the State of North Carolina, and by her inspiration she enrolled 189 pupils of which she was able to deliver one post-graduate certificate, nineteen Blue Seals, nine Red Seals, fifty-six diplomas. She taught ten classes during the year, and is at present teaching two with the prospects of organizing a class of post-graduates soon. The work has spread and even at the Chunn's Cove Mission six received diplomas—the first mission in the South to receive this honor. I recommend to any teaching branch of any church, that first the pastor and then the superintendent and all the officers and teachers take this course and become efficient in our Lord's service.

The second thing I advocate is that the graded literature be placed in the schools because of the fact that all classes cannot be taught in the same way and the graded work gives work to all classes. This has been tested in the Junior department of the First Baptist Church as well as all over the South, and has proved a great success. I also recommend that all teachers who wish to learn something of teaching visit a well taken care of school and note the things used for efficient work.

Trusting that these things might be of help to the brethren of this Association, I submit it to you.

C. N. MAXWELL,
Chairman of Sunday School Report.

Rev. W. Haynes read the report on Periodicals. Upon motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by Rev. W. Haynes, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw and the Moderator. The report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Periodicals.

To the Baptist Association of Buncombe County:—

Your Committee on Periodicals appointed at the last annual meeting of this Association, begs to submit the following report:

That if you are looking for something to read, something that you and your families are not ashamed of when your pastor comes into the home, a paper with good, sound Biblical editorials, together with news notes from the churches, interesting exposition of Sunday School lessons, a regular department on woman's work, and also on Baptist Young People's Unions, and many other subjects of interest, you will find a combination of all these topics admirably treated in our State paper, the Biblical Recorder, published weekly at Raleigh, North Carolina.

This publication has been knocking at the doors of our homes since 1833, but it is too modest to visit us regularly without an invitation.

Your committee is advised that on and after October 1, 1916, the subscription of the Biblical Recorder will be increased from $1.50 to $2.00 per year.

Respectfully submitted, this the 15th day of August, 1916.

W. HAYNES, Chairman.

Rev. John Bomar read the report on the Laymen's Movement. Upon motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by Rev. John Bomar, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, G. D. Carter, P. C. Orpin, and W. M. Howell. The report was adopted.

Report on Laymen's Movement.

All of the great movements for the spread of the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ began in a small way.

The Holy Spirit planted in the mind of a young business man of Washington City the thought of the Laymen's Movement. When he was attending the convention of "The Student's Volunteer Movement," at Nashville, Tenn., in February and March, 1906, as he saw several thousand students gathered in this convention, considering their relation to the Evangelization of the World, this thought came to him: If the laymen of North America could see the world as these students are seeing it, they would rise up in their strength and provide all the funds needed for the enterprise. This young business man was right. If the church can get the laymen to understand the need, and the great opportunity for service that the need furnishes them for glorious work for the Lord Jesus Christ, the pastors of the churches and the secretaries of the Mission Boards would not have to ask for a dollar for any mission object. The treasury of the Lord would always be full.

The prejudice that has existed in the minds and hearts of some of our good pastors against the Laymen's Movement, I think has been caused by a misunderstanding of the purpose of the Movement.

From the first the whole idea of the Movement has been to cooperate with the regular missionary agencies of the church in the enlargement of their work. It is not a separate organization to take the place of the regular denominational channels, nor is the idea to promote the organization of separate men's missionary societies within the various churches. All that is asked is that a missionary committee of men be appointed in each church to work with the pastor in enlisting all members in an intelligent and adequate support of all the missionary work of the denomination. This idea has been wisely carried out in quite a number of our churches in North Carolina, and all over our Southern Baptist territory. By the help of this Laymen's Missionary Committee, many of our pastors have seen the offerings of their churches to missions very largely increased.

Your committee feels sure if the Laymen of our Association could catch a vision of the great need and could be made to see and understand that they have within their possession all that is needed and to spare to carry on the work of the denomination on a much larger scale than ever in the past, they would gladly and joyfully throw their all on the side of the Master's cause.

Someone has said, "I would rather save a million men than to save a million dollars." That man had the right conception of life. He had a vision of the great need. It has also been truly said,

"That we must ask more of men, or less, because they are not satisfied with what they are doing."

The Lord Jesus Christ asks of men all they are, and all they have. Our task is to get our men to see and understand that this is the demand of their Lord and Master.

Therefore your committee takes the liberty to suggest that this Association appoint a Committee of Laymen to visit among our churches, to assist the pastors in educating the laymen in the great need.

In both our country and city churches the average layman is making money, and in some instances making lots of it. Almost everyone has a bank account. All are striving to lay up money. There seems to be a great danger of our becoming commercialized. These laymen should be taught the right plan of letting loose their bank accounts for the spread of the glorious Gospel of their Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ for the salvation of the lost millions in this world. They should be taught how "to lay up treasures in Heaven" instead of banking them on earth.

If this committee could induce every church of our Association to write up a budget of expense, and make an every-member canvass, and encourage weekly or monthly offerings for all objects, we believe that in a very short time we would double our gifts to all our Mission causes.

Your committee also suggests that this matter be referred to the Executive Committee to work out and execute the plan.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN BOMAR,
Chairman.

Prof. R. H. Hutchinson read the Report on Education. Upon motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by Prof. Hutchinson, Rev. W. T. Bradley, J. T. Justice, Rev. W. H. Woodall, Rev. W. A. Stephenson, and Rev. W. Haynes.

The report was adopted.

Report on Education.

Education in its true sense must be a Christian education. The great hindrance to our country churches is the lack of educated leaders. The progress in our city churches and a few country churches may be traced back to educated and trained leadership.

Mars Hill, Haywood Institute and Fruitland have shown by their products that they are the best secondary schools that we have in the county. Wake Forest and Meredith colleges rank first among the colleges of the State. All these schools supply a need that cannot be met without them.

We must not lose sight of the fact that only a small per cent. of people ever get beyond the elementary schools. As a church it is our Christian duty to see that we have Christian teachers for our children in the public schools, and that we co-operate in an active way in making a Christian atmosphere for our children in the grades.

R. H. HUTCHISON.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

Time, Place and Preacher for Next Meeting—J. T. Justice, Levi S. Clark, and Rev. J. B. Grice.

Order of Business for Next Meeting—E. B. Stradley, Rev. John Bomar, and C. N. Maxwell.

E. P. Stradley read the report on B. Y. P. U. Upon motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by E. P. Stradley, John Lawrence.

Report of Committee on B. Y. P. U.

To the Buncombe County Baptist Association:—

Your committee beg to submit the following rpeort on B. Y. P. U.:

This is the day of practical education—of doing things—of service; hence the call for the B. Y. P. U. in the Master's service. In our church work it has won a place along with the Sunday School and the prayer meeting.

It supplies a long felt want. It turns the exuberant energy of our young people into the service of the Master. It develops spirituality. It fosters the study of the Word. It develops the mission spirit, emulates the spirit of Christ in doing the Master's will, helps the pastor, endeavors to put into practice what has been learned in the Sunday School and from the pulpit. In short, it is where we "learn to do by doing." We really never learn to do a thing till we do it.

That is just what the B. Y. P. U. stands for. "Loyalty to Christ" is the motto, and like Him we are learning to be about our Master's business.

Believing that a B. Y. P. U. is as practicable in the country as in the town, we would recommend that our pastors and delegates here present so assist and encourage our Baptist young people that we may have a B. Y. P. U. in every church in the Buncombe County Association.

Respectfully,

E. P. STRADLEY.

EVENING SESSION, FIRST DAY, 8 P. M.

Devotional exercises, conducted by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. W. T. Bradley.

G. D. Carter read the report on Home Missions. On motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by Rev. S. M. Stephenson and G. D. Carter. The report was adopted.

Report on Home Missions.

In a day when America was isolated from the world, Daniel Webster said: "Let our object be our country, our whole country and nothing but our country." Now that America is a world power, with a similar patriotism and a larger responsibility it behooves us to say: "Let our object be our country, our whole country, for our country's sake and for the sake of all countries."

In the providence of God, America has been forced to take her place as a world power and both gratitude and a godly fear become us as we behold that power being used among nations for justice and peace. In China, Cuba and the Philippines, our nation gave a foretoken that her part among the nations was not to exploit others for selfish ends, but to help and bless. In war-torn Mexico and in Europe, riven by the greatest conflict of the ages, America is with a tremendous sense of responsibility seeking to establish that peace and love which Christ brought upon earth.

In the present political campaign, the gauge of conflict for bal-

lots is pitched upon the high plane of patriotism, justice, brotherly love and Americanism. It is of great significance that the first time America was ever tried to the center, what resources she has as a world power, she is striking out on the high note of human rights and brotherhood. The reports of speeches in our recent national political conventions read like speeches on Home Missions. This will have a profound and blessed influence on the Home Mission propaganda.

There was never a time which so forcefully vindicated the inconspicuous but untiring work of those holy men of God, the missionaries and pioneer preachers, whose voices throughout our entire history have carried the gospel to the homes and the hearts of men in all the length and breadth of the land. Never before was there presented to American Christians a challenge so strong, both in this vindication of Home Mission work and in the great and urgent needs which still beckon us on to mightier efforts.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, located at Atlanta, Georgia, has for seventy-one years been the exponent of our united Southern Baptist body for saving our own land. The story of the achievements of its missionaries in bringing lost men to Christ surpasses that of any similar agency in America. Last year the number of baptisms reported by its workers was 43,792, and the number brought into the churches was $71,386. After the negro baptisms are counted out, twenty per cent. of the baptisms reported by Southern Baptist churches last year were by missionaries supported wholly or in part by the Home Mission Board, and thirteen per cent. by missionaries supported by no other agency than the Home Mission Board.

At the same time, our Board through its Enlistment Department and Mission Schools and otherwise, is doing each year a larger work of developing the unplanted life in our churches—which is missions and which is today one of the most strenuous and appealing tasks that still confronts us. Baptists both count and weigh, but the very largeness of our successful outreach has made for us an intensive task which may well cause us to tremble with a sense of responsibility, while it should also make us rejoice with a realization of our almost unmatched opportunity.

For the first time in many years our Board reported at the last Convention a significant debt of $72,000. At the same time if the $102,000 be counted which was raised in cash and subscriptions during the year for the Church Building Loan Fund, the record for the year was more than $50,000 above the year preceding.

Deeply impressed with the large and crying needs which are to be met in the present year, our Board, at the Annual Meeting in May, was not daunted. The debt was put in the budget of the present year. Some retrenchment was necessary where retrenchment cut to the quick, but our Board felt that it must do what it believed the churches would have to do, and is confident that the present year's work will surpass even the splendid record of the past year.

Cuba, Panama, Co-operative Missions, Evangelism, Church Building, Mountain Schools, Foreigners, Indians, Negroes, Educational Publicity, Enlistment—each of these names covers a great and needed activities of the Board—some larger than others—all essential. In this report it is impossible to tell of all these tasks, but this is done in the Board's admirable tracts and Annual Report, which may be had for the asking.

We recommend:

1. That our churches be encouraged and urged to order and make a larger use of the Board's free tracts on Home Missions and of its admirable Mission Study Books, suitable either for classes, the general reader, or for use in prayer meeting talks and sermons. These books sound a needed note of denominational loyalty.

2. That subscribers be gotten in every church for The Home Field and for its successor, the combined Home and Foreign Mission Magazine, to be published by the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tennessee.

3. Inasmuch as our Board is not making an extra appeal to raise the balance of the debt, we feel that each of our churches should be all the more determined to raise its full apportionment for Home Missions and that the money should be raised and sent in regularly, rather than at the close of the year.

4. To this end we recommend that the Association adopt as its apportionment $_____, the amount suggested by our State Apportionment Committee, and that our executive committee (or a special committee) be requested to apportion this among the churches, and that this apportionment be printed in our minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

G. D. CARTER,
Committee.

The report on State Missions was read by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw. On motion to adopt, the motion was spoken to by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw and Dr. Waller. The report was adopted.

Report on State Missions.

It has been said that the Baptists carry their Mission work from three points of view: State, Home and Foreign Missions. This seems to have its warrant in the Scriptures.

In the last interview that Jesus had with his disciples he said, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and all Judea and in Samaria and into the uttermost parts of the earth." Jerusalem corresponds to the local church, Judea to the State Missions, Samaria to the home land, while the uttermost parts of the earth contemplate Foreign Missions.

Our Lord announced the great privilege of missionary endeavor when he said, "The fire is the word." To meet this world's need in North Carolina we have State Missions. State Missions have to do with the State's needs. It is educational, commercial, agricultural, manufacturing, and especially its religious needs. State Missions endeavors to make a great State where liberty and life shall be practiced. State Missions is striving to bring all the interests of the State under subjection to Christ. This will be accomplished by the example of our Lord who labored for those who were near as well as those who are remote. "He came unto his own," He said, "I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel." He put the emphasis on the spiritual needs of those He came in contact with every day. We should learn of Him in all things and this is not to be an exception.

Let us once again mention the work of State Missions:

First, it is to evangelize all the people in the State and never consider its work as done until this is accomplished.

Second, it must organize churches. "If a denomination is to occupy a State it must occupy it with churches."

And third, it must develop the churches along the line of all Christian graces and especially the grace of giving.

Much has been done by your Board, much remains yet to be done. Therefore, we call upon every church in this Association to do its full part, to go into every nook and corner of our State with the Gospel of the happy God.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION, 9:30 A. M.

Devotional services, conducted by Rev. J. A. Davis.

Bro. E. J. Morgan, chairman of the Committee on Temperance, not being present, upon motion of Rev. W. T. Bradley, the Moderator named E. P. Stradley as chairman of the Committee on Temperance.

10:00 A. M.

W. C. McConnell read the Report on Foreign Missions. On motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by Rev. C. O. Hutchinson and W. C. McConnell. The report was adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions.

We are doing Foreign Mission work in the following seven countries: Africa, with 16 missionaries, 7 men and 9 women. Two of the men are medical missionaries.

Argentina, with 16 missionaries, 8 men and their wives; one of these, Brother J. M. Justice, is a native of Hendersonville, N. C.

Brazil, with 58 missionaries.

China, with 176 missionaries, 16 of whom are from North Carolina.

Italy, with 6 missionaries.

Japan, with 19 missionaries, two of whom, Mrs. C. K. Dozier and Mrs. T. C. Willingham, are from North Carolina.

Mexico, with 37 missionaries.

This makes a total of 315 missionaries on the foreign field.

There are 166 ordained native preachers and 531 unordained native helpers on the foreign fields.

We have 459 churches with a membership of 42,630; 609 Sunday Schools, with 27,561 members.

There were 6,473 baptisms last year.

We have 438 schools for girls and boys, including day and boarding schools, with an attendance of 12,837 pupils; 2 colleges with 382 students; 6 training schools for women with 200 attendants; 10 theological schools with 191 students, making an aggregate of 453 schools with 13,531 students.

These figures represent results of our work in themselves most gratifying when taken in connection with the number of laborers on the field, and we thank God and take courage. But when thought of in relation to the teeming millions in these countries who never heard the Gospel message, they only serve to emphasize the fact that we have just begun the task of evangelizing the world.

The doors were never so wide open for us to enter, men and women were never so plentiful and so eager to enter, and the peoples of the earth so ready to hear the Gospel as now.

Many men and women are on the waiting list, begging,

anxious to go. The needs were never so great and we were never so prosperous.

Will we hear the Macedonian cry, "Come over and help us?" and obey the Master's command: "Go and disciple all nations?" and make it possible for these to go who are saying, "Here am I, Lord, send me?"

May the Lord of the harvest help us to be faithful witnesses to the uttermost part of the earth, and to do our part in sending forth laborers into the harvest.

Dr. Poteat addressed the Association on Christian Education and Missions.

11:15 A. M.

Rev. J. B. Grice read the Historian's report and report on State of the Church. On motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by Rev. J. B. Grice,Dr. Waller, Rev. W. T. Bradley, Rev. J. A. Davis.

12:30 P. M.

Adjourned for dinner.

1:30 P. M.

Re-assembled. Continued discussion on State of the Churches by Rev. C. M. Rock and J. C. Bennet. Dr. Waller offered the following motion: That the Executive Committee be instructed to arrange for a series of meetings for a campaign of associational development running through the year. The motion was adopted.

Historian's Report to the Buncombe County Baptist Association,

August 14-15, 1916.

The evil that men do lives after them, but the good is often interred with their bones," is an adage familiar to many, but I am sure that in recording the history of this Association during the past year there will be no evil to write of, and I am confident that the great and lasting good accomplished by the faithful and loyal members of the churches constituting this Association will not be interred with their bones, but will remain, as a perpetual monument of service, which time will never efface.

The growth of our work has not been phenomenal, but one of conservative progress. We have made a net gain of four hundred and fifty-five in our membership during the Associational year just closed. One very large contributing force to the religious growth and the advancement of the spiritual welfare of our Association was the Chapman-Alexander meeting held in Asheville last fall. The great Southern Baptist Convention, which met at Asheville in May, contributed much to our inspiration and enthusiasm.

At every Association many familiar faces are missed and this year is no exception to the record of the past. One of our very faithful and untiring workers, who was so well known to this body because of her long service and devotion to its every interest, namely, Mrs. Mary Alexander, better known as "Aunt Mary," who since our last meeting was called from her labors. We have had several changes among our churches and pastors, one very commendable move was the formation of the Hominy Valley Union, composed of the Liberty, Hominy and Ridgeway churches, who have joined together in this union for the strengthening of the efforts of each church constituting this body and have furnished a

home for their pastor and called Rev. J. C. Bennett to assume charge of the work. The pastoral changes during the past year are as follows:

Rev. M. A. Jenkins left Biltmore and Calvary to assume the pastorate of a church in Abilene, Texas; Rev. C. M. Cook succeeding Rev. M. A. Jenkins at Biltmore, while Rev. H. B. Killian took charge of the work at Calvary. Rev. J. C. Bennett has succeeded Bro. G. P. Hamrick at Liberty, and Rev. L. B. White at Ridgeway and Rev. J. Davis at Hominy; Rev. C. O. Hutcheson was called and took charge of the North Asheville and New Bridge churches; Rev. W. H. Woodall at Riverside; Rev. J. Davis to Antioch; Rev. B. F. Deloach to Black Mountain and Ridgecrest; Rev. E. Allisons was succeeded at Stocksville and Brown's Chapel by Rev. T. J. Eatman; Rev. W. P. Roberts was succeeded at Chestnut Grove by Rev. J. A. Corn. The North Asheville Church was organized this year and its first pastor is Rev. C. O. Hutcheson. The only disbandment was Bent Creek. Bethel united with the West Buncombe Association.

In composing a history of any organization it is always necessary that a great number of items be omitted because of lack of space and time, and it is true of this report, because there are many acts of heroic sacrifice which I might record of the members of this Association, but bearing in mind the words of the old hymn, "Thus would we pass from this earth and its toiling only remembered by what we have done," I can only trust that the report for the ensuing year will be one of greater service and work for the Master.

Very respectfully,

J. B. GRICE.

Dr. Waller moved that Association approve the agreement between Mt. Carmel Church and Newfound Church in calling a minister for all of his time. The motion was adopted.

Rev. A. I. Justice and Prof. Melton, of Fruitland Institute, addressed the Association in behalf of their school.

The report on the Orphanage was read by the Clerk. On motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by F. B. Hamrick and J. M. Stoner. The report was adopted.

Orphanage Report.

The cry of a child in the brink of the river Nile broke the heart of a heathen princess. Moses wept and his life was saved and the children of Israel were delivered from Egyptian bondage.

Not since Christ glorified childhood has the cry of the baby been so well understood as it is today. The child is here not by his own consent. Life was thrust upon him. He has rights that we must respect, and when he cries for justice we must hear and heed.

Somebody will hear his cry. If Christians do not the devil will. Somebody must feed and clothe and train the child. If not his friends, it will be done by his enemies; and he will then render full service to his benefactors.

The Orphanage was organized to answer the cry of the child. It has sheltered and trained 1,662 boys and girls in the 31 years of its life, but it can not hold out the helping hand to all the homeless ones who cry for admittance.

The supreme need of the Orphanage is a larger current fund. Our present number is 500, with an average cost of $109.09 per child, or 30 cents the day, aggregating an annual cost of $54,545.00.

Greater economy than this should not be practiced, but others ought to be admitted. Destitute children without the necessities of life and with no moral training in the world are rapidly passing into manhood and womanhood. They cannot be admitted until our current fund is sufficient to take care of them.

This fund can be increased: (1) By a monthly contribution from each Sunday School in this Association. (2) By information gained from reading Charity and Children. (3) By sacredly setting apart the income of **one day for the Orphanage** by every man, woman and child in this Association at or near the Thanksgiving time. We urge our churches and pastors to press this plan with all their power. To all the organized Sunday School classes we would suggest that they make plans to support a child.

From the territory of this Association there are 30 children, costing $109.09 each, or a grand total of $3,272.70. Brethren, let us make an effort to provide for our own children.

We already have a debt of $22,032.93, with some $10,000 in assets and our expenses are going on at the average rate of $150.00 the day. We are counting on you for your heartiest sympathy, your earnest prayer and a goodly portion of your means.

The report on Temperance was presented by E. P. Stradley. On motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by E. P. Stradley and J. T. Justice. The report was adopted.

Report on Temperance.

There are several phases to this temperance question. It is not confined to the one item alone. It has to do with all our habits: our thoughts, our speech, our general conduct, as well as our taking of poison in different degrees of deadliness. While we are glad to note the solidarity of our Baptist people with reference to the drink evil, we would equally recommend to you the prayerful consideration of the scarcely less destructive effect of tobacco and soft drinks on our physical, mental and moral natures.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. STRADLEY.

Miss Annie Logan read the report on Woman's Work. On motion to adopt, the report was spoken to by Rev. John Bomar, Rev. J. B. Grice, Dr. Waller. The report was adopted.

Report on Woman's Work.

The work of the women in our Association is increasing each year. More of the churches are recognizing the value and importance of this work.

At our annual Associational meeting held this year with French Broad Avenue Church, we had reports from 16 Woman's Missionary Societies, 4 Young Women's Auxiliaries, 3 Girls' Auxiliaries, 7 Sunbeams, and 5 Royal Ambassadors; total, 35. These report a total membership of 829, this being an increase of 289 over last year.

Our contributions for the year are as follows:

Foreign Missions	$ 908.87
Home Missions	699.15
State Missions	400.69

Louisville Training School	102.45
Judson Centennial Fund	322.50
Personal service	977.57
Other objects	98.50
Total	$3,509.73

These figures are encouraging when compared with reports of preceding years, but when we remember that these figures represent the women's work in one-third of the churches in our Association, we realize that there is still a great deal to be done.

A Woman's Missionary Society in a church not only keeps the matter of Missions before the church in the way of contributions, but is also the greatest agency in spreading missionary information. A church with a wide-awake Missionary Society is usually a church wide-awake to Missionary interests.

We recommend that the delegates to this Association encourage and help the women of their churches to organize and sustain Missionary societies.

Respectfully submitted,

(Miss) ANNIE L. LOGAN.

The report of the Executive Committee was read and filed.

Report of Executive Committee.

Your committee are still handicapped by the debt incurred two years ago; has done nothing at all this year. The pledges of last year, amounting to about $90.00, was not sufficient to pay the debt, and only $41.00 of this amount has been paid to our Treasurer, Bro. Hamrick.

Respectfully,

A. E. BROWN,
Secretary.

G. D. Carter, Treasurer, reported collections during the session of the Association as follows: Minute Fund, $31.00; other objects, $258.88.

The Committee on Time, Place, and Preacher of Annual Sermon recommended Fairview Baptist Church. Tuesday and Wednesday after the second Sunday in August, 1917. The sermon to be preached by Rev. J. C. Bennett, of Hominy Valley; which was adopted.

The Committee on Program for 1917 filed their report, which was adopted. See Appendix.

Rev. Haynes moved that the Association extend its thanks to the Calvary Baptist Church and citizens of West Asheville for courtesies extended during our stay among them. The motion was adopted.

Rev. W. Haynes moved that the Clerk attend to printing and distributing the minutes and retain ten dollars for his services. The motion was adopted.

The Association stood and sang, "Blest be the Tie That Binds."

Prayer by Rev. W. T. Bradley.

J. M. STONER,
Moderator.

E. B. STRADLEY, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.—Name.

This Association shall be known as Buncombe County Baptist Association.

Article II.—Objects.

The objects of this Association shall be:

1. To elicit, combine and direct the energies of the Baptists of Buncombe County in one sacred effort to encourage and promote the propagation of the Gospel within our bounds.

2. To foster and promote, under the auspices of the Baptist State Convention, the cause of State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, Orphanage, Sunday School and Colportage, Old Ministers' Relief and Temperance.

3. This Association disclaims to exercise lordship over the churches or to have any power which entitles it to infringe upon the internal rights of any of the churches composing it.

ARTICLE III.—Constituency.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent by each Baptist Church in Buncombe County, who shall be duly recommended by letter from the Church to which they belong; provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is so situated as to make it more convenient from natural causes to belong to this body shall be entitled to membership and representation in this Association.

Sec. 2. Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members exceeding twenty-five.

Sec. 3. Name of no delegates shall appear in the Minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

Article IV.

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historian.

Sec. 2. All the officers shall be elected annually and immediately after the reading of the church letters and the enrollment of the delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the other officers in any way the Association may direct.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at all meetings of the body, and keep order in accordance with Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to preside in the absence of the Moderator.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of this body in a business-like manner, to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes of the Association, and to turn them over to his successor.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds belong-

ing to the Association, and to pay them out to the objects for which they were collected.

It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep a record of such items as would be of interest to a future Historian, to preserve the same in a book. He shall also keep a file of the Minutes.

Article V.—Committees.

At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees, whose duty it shall be to report at the next annual meeting: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State of the Churches, Orphanage, Sunday Schools, Temperance, Woman's Work, Order of Business, Time and Place and Annual Sermon for the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE VI.

The Association shall at each annual meeting appoint an Executive Board to consist of the officers of the Association and three judicious and active brethren; three of whom shall constitute a quorum. All pastors shall be associate members of the Board.

The Executive Board shall superintend the mission work in the county, and carry out the resolutions and orders of the Association during its recess.

Article VII.—Church Letters.

The letters from the churches shall give the following information: name of church and date of organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in its membership and their postoffices; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded, number of deaths during the year; time of meetings; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Orphanage, Sunday School, and for any other objects.

Report of Sunday School will show the name of the Superintendent and Secretary with their postoffices, number enrolled, average attendance during the year, amount paid for the support of the Sunday School and for benevolent objects.

Article VIII.

This body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

Article IX.

This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article X.

Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI.

This Association may carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

APPORTIONMENT BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

CHURCHES	Associational and State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Aged Ministers.	Total.
Asheville, First	$ 900.00	$ 900.00	$1,500.00	$25.00	$1,000.00	$150.00	$ 25.00	$4,500.0
Asheville, French Broad	75.00	100.00	150.00	5.00	150.00	10.00	10.00	500.0
Asheville, West End	150.00	25.00	50.00	2.50	50.00	20.00	10.00	307.5
Asheville, Calvary	100.00	75.00	75.00	5.00	150.00	10.00	10.00	425.0
Asheville, North	25.00	25.00	50.00	2.50	50.00	2.50	2.50	157.5
Avery's Creek	3.00	3.00	3.00	-----	10.00	1.00	1.00	21.0
Antioch	15.00	15.00	20.00	1.00	50.00	5.00	2.50	108.5
Berea	2.50	2.50	5.00	-----	10.00	------	------	20.0
Big Ivy	10.00	10.00	10.00	2.50	25.00	2.50	2.50	62.5
Biltmore	35.00	35.00	50.00	2.50	150.00	2.50	2.50	277.5
Black Mountain, South	20.00	20.00	15.00	2.50	50.00	2.00	2.00	111.5
Black Mountain, North	2.50	2.50	5.00	.50	10.00	1.00	1.00	22.5
Brown's Chapel	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	5.00	1.00	1.00	15.0
Beaverdam	50.00	50.00	100.00	2.50	100.00	5.00	5.00	312.5
Chestnut Grove	3.00	3.00	3.00	.50	15.00	1.00	1.00	26.5
Elk Mountain	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	10.00	1.00	1.00	28.0
Fairview	60.00	60.00	75.00	5.00	125.00	20.00	10.00	355.0
Flat Creek	10.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	25.00	1.00	1.00	58.0
Gash's Creek	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	15.00	1.00	1.00	33.0
Hominy	10.00	10.00	15.00	1.00	30.00	1.00	1.00	68.0
Inanda	2.00	2.00	5.00	.50	15.00	1.00	1.00	26.5
Jupiter	5.00	5.00	10.00	1.00	15.00	5.00	1.00	42.0
Liberty	5.00	5.00	5.00	.50	15.00	1.00	1.00	32.5
Mt. Carmel	10.00	10.00	15.00	1.00	60.00	2.00	2.00	100.0
Macedonia	2.00	2.00	2.00	.50	5.00	1.00	1.00	11.5
Morgan Hill	5.00	5.00	5.00	-----	15.00	1.00	1.00	32.0
New Bridge	5.00	5.00	10.00	.50	20.00	1.00	1.00	42.5
New Morgan Hill	2.50	2.50	5.00	.50	15.00	1.00	1.00	27.5
Pleasant Grove	2.50	2.50	2.50	.50	10.00	1.00	1.00	20.0
Reed's Chapel	2.00	2.00	2.00	-----	5.00	------	------	11.0
Ridgecrest	2.00	2.00	2.00	-----	25.00	------	------	31.0
Ridgeway	3.00	3.00	5.00	-----	10.00	------	------	21.0
Riverside	10.00	10.00	20.00	1.00	20.00	1.00	1.00	63.0
Spring Mountain	2.00	2.00	2.00	-----	5.00	------	------	11.0
Swannanoa	2.00	2.00	2.00	-----	5.00	------	------	11.0
White Rock	2.00	2.00	2.00	-----	5.00	------	------	11.0
	$1,900.50	$1,443.00	$2,243.00	$67.50	$2,275.00	$251.50	$101.00	$8,281.5

TABLE I—STATISTICAL.

TOR.	POSTOFFICE.	CLERK.	POSTOFFICE.	Time of Preaching.	Value of Church Property.	GAINS. By Baptism	GAINS. By Letter	GAINS. By Restoration	LOSSES. By Letter	LOSSES. By Exclusion	LOSSES. By Death	No. of Males.	No. of Females.	Total Membership.
B. Waller	Asheville	J. A. Egerton	Asheville	Every	$100,000.00	121	133	10	115	3	6	----	----	1648
ice	Asheville	L. M. Revis	Asheville	Every	5,000.00	33	30	4	34	7	----	102	183	285
mar	Asheville	J. A. Grove	Asheville	Every	14,000.00	65	56	----	15	----	2	87	169	256
utchinson	Asheville	C. N. Maxwell	Asheville	Every	7,000.00	6	8	----	----	----	----	15	34	49
illam	Asheville	J. W. Baity	Asheville No. 3	Every	3,800.00	13	18	----	7	----	2	108	156	264
avis	Mars Hill	C. S. Gentry	Democrat	3	1,200.00	----	5	----	3	----	2	79	109	188
Owen	Waynesville	S. O. Ingram	Arden	4	200.00	2	----	----	3	----	1	14	23	37
radley	Stockville	E. P. Stradley	Asheville No. 1	2 & 4	1,400.00	10	1	1	2	3	----	30	32	62
		J. A. Cordell	Swannanoa		1,800.00	----	----	----	----	----	3	25	37	62
ertson	Barnardsville	Jennie Whitaker	Barnardsville	2	4,000.00	----	6	----	5	----	----	30	46	76
ck	Biltmore	V. C. Brodey	Biltmore	Every	10,000.00	35	36	----	7	4	----	----	----	255
Loatch	Black Mountain	Jos. Kinzey	Black Mountain	Every	3,000.00	16	24	----	5	----	1	75	98	173
					1,500.00	----	----	----	----	----	----	32	35	67
tmon	Stockville	I. L. Buckner	Beech	1	1,200.00	12	17	2	----	----	----	34	40	74
		Ryo Burlison	Dillingham		1,000.00	----	----	----	1	----	1	25	40	65
hillips	Fairview	J. E. Earwood	Fairview	Every	1,200.00	28	3	3	12	2	2	139	197	336
radley	Stockville	M. B. Spivey	Stcokville	1	1,000.00	5	6	----	10	1	2	52	72	124
reeman	Hendersonville	W. L. Hart	Biltmore	2 & 4	6,000.00	----	1	----	2	3	1	39	66	105
nnett	Candler	Levi S. Clark	Candler	1	2,500.00	----	6	----	----	----	1	39	59	98
ephens	Mars Hill	L. L. Roberts	Weaverville	4	1,000.00	1	3	----	10	1	----	40	43	83
nmons	Candler	T. H. Byers	Biltmore	2 & 4	1,000.00	----	1	----	6	----	----	19	27	46
nnett	Candler	L. W. Young	Candler	3 & 4	1,000.00	3	----	----	----	----	3	21	33	54
aver	Maiden	L. D. Brookshire	Asheville	1 & 3	1,000.00	18	2	----	6	1	1	58	78	136
					600.00	----	----	----	----	----	----	35	58	93
man	Stockville	S. W. Lewellyn	Stockville	4	1,000.00	9	----	----	----	----	1	65	85	150
tchinson	Asheville	M. A. Lominac	Asheville No. 1	Every	400.00	----	3	----	2	----	----	18	29	47
					100.00	----	----	----	----	----	----	15	18	33
					500.00	----	----	----	----	----	----	16	25	41
reeman	Hendersonville	A. T. Davidson	Biltmore	2 & 4	1,000.00	5	----	----	----	----	2	24	39	63
Loatch	Black Mountain	Mrs. C.J. Biggers	Ridge Crest		500.00	----	2	----	----	----	----	17	27	44
nnett	Candler	J. O. Morgan	Candler	4	1,500.00	2	1	----	----	----	----	17	21	38
oodall	Asheville	Miss Alice Hough	Asheville	Every	350.00	12	5	----	----	4	----	6	23	29
ntley	Ridge Crest	Frank Mitchell	Fairview	3	600.00	13	3	----	1	1	0	25	28	53
					1,000.00	----	----	----	----	----	----	24	45	
ruitt	Hazelwood	Collier Morgan	Candler	4	3,000.00	2	4	1	2	----	1	51	62	113
aver	Maiden	J. M. Howard	Asheville No. 5	2	750.00	8	11	----	----	----	2	36	58	94
					$191,000.00	419	385	21	248	30	34	----	----	5410

TABLE II—FINANCIAL.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairs.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Expenses.	The Poor.	Minute Fund.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	
Asheville, W. End	$ 483.00	$ 117.69	$ 368.28	$ 57.50	$ 15.57	$ 3.00	$ 5.00	$ 141.00	$ 12.00	$ 23.96	$	$ 50.05	$20.00	$
Asheville, F. Brd.	1200.00	3500.00	325.79	130.89	7.97	3.00	5.00	74.72	164.06	242.03		109.08	1.26	
Asheville, North	183.35	4.80	29.32	15.80	25.00	1.00		21.55	55.00	114.77		18.00		
Asheville, C'lv'y	1200.00	47.53	63.04	150.11	65.50	3.00		122.75	92.25	20.37		120.00	5.00	
Asheville, First	3000.00	2212.86	3341.88	423.73	363.18	10.00	19.50	894.53	712.39	1761.70	10.00	710.85	40.00	
Avery's Creek	75.00					2.00	1.00	3.00	3.00	3.00		6.00		
Antioch	75.00			20.46	10.00	1.00		15.00	15.00	20.00	1.00	15.00		
Bere a			1.20	16.10		.50		6.15	9.50			8.00		
Big Ivy	78.00			41.45	1.80	2.00		10.00	18.00			17.00		
Biltmore	1450.00	314.25	225.14	34.50	50.00	2.00		21.25	30.75	35.00	2.50	124.75	2.50	
Blk. Mtn., South	400.00	118.25	30.00	20.00	10.00	1.50	2.00	20.50	18.00	9.00		25.00	3.00	
Blk. Mtn., North														
Brown's Chapel	60.00		4.00	16.00	4.00	.50			1.00	1.00		1.20		
Beaverdam	200.00		27.75	36.62	3.08	2.00		77.92	63.67	101.58	3.00	60.51	3.00	
Chestnut Grvoe	75.00			6.22		1.00		3.00	3.00	2.00		12.03	1.00	
Fairview	900.00	1800.00	100.00	80.00	350.00	3.00		100.00	40.00	50.00	10.00	75.00	5.00	
Flat Creek	64.00		30.00	8.72	19.85	.85		10.00	11.65	11.65		18.00		
Gash's Creek	100.00			20.00		1.50		3.30	3.31	3.25		6.12		
Hominy	132.60		2.70	18.08		2.00		27.67	5.50	11.00		11.00	12.60	
Inanda	35.00			20.00		1.10		7.75				13.00		
Jupiter	65.00			20.00		1.00		7.50	7.50	10.00	1.00	8.00	2.00	
Liberty	132.00			48.77		1.20	3.00	5.00	5.00	3.09		13.50		
Mt. Carmel	166.00			44.07		.62	7.50	7.50	10.00	20.00	2.00	47.00	2.00	
*Macelonia														
Morgan Hill	40.00			10.00	2.40	1.50								
New Bridge	450.00		11.50	55.00		1.00		2.00	6.00	2.00		5.00		
*New M'gan Hill														
Pleasant Grove														
Reed's Chapel	56.75		12.00	12.00	4.50	.60				2.16		3.00		
Ridge Crest	44.73		16.80	50.00	2.97							30.00		
Ridgeway	106.87	1.40	9.80	29.81		1.00		3.00	3.00	3.00		7.00		
Riverside	74.15	307.25	13.20	92.27	50.55	1.00				34.75		3.32		
Spring Mtn.	60.00	40.00		15.00		.40			2.18					
*Swannanoa														
	100.00			6.00	4.50	1.00						2.00		
Elk Mountain	91.94	620.40	10.00	23.76	23.54	1.00			51.59			2.00		
	$11098 39	$9084.42	$4712.40	$1523.06	$1014.47	$51.27	$43.00	$1585.09	$1343.35	$2485.81	$29.50	$1521.41	$97.36	$

*No report, 1916.

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

	POSTOFFICE.	SECRETARY.	POSTOFFICE.	No. of Schools.	Officers and Tchrs.	Pupils.	Total Enrollment.	Church Members in Sunday School.	Months Kept Open.	Baptisms from Schl.	School Expenses.	Missions.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Total Contributions.
------	Asheville ------	Lee Ownbey ----	Asheville -------	2	65	838	903	1	12	52	$ 423.73	$280.23	$ 600.00	$ 49.00	$1363.02
g------	Asheville ------	M. B. Jackson---	Asheville -------	1	12	314	326	41	12	---	59.70	1.00	28.35	29.85	116.71
er ----	Asheville, No. 3 -	Ada Beck-------	Asheville -------	1	20	225	245	136	12	34	120.89	28.00	68.15	10.00	227.03
------	Asheville ------	F. R. Ovenden---	Asheville -------	1	9	103	112	45	12	6	11.50	------	15.00	17.30	43.80
s------	Asheville, No. 3 -	J. W. Baity-----	Asheville, No. 3-	1	16	250	266	120	12	10	150.11	20.00	120.00	40.50	330.61
er----	Democrat ------	Ella Goldsmith--	Democrat ------	1	9	91	100	---	12	---	20.46	------	7.50	------	27.96
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orough	Asheville, No. 1 -	J. G. Greenwood-	Asheville, No. 1-	1	7	77	84	30	12	4	36.62	81.71	12.43	139.08	9.84
ell----	Swannanoa -----	Vance Shope ----	Swannanoa -----	1	7	45	52	---	---	---	16.10	------	------	------	16.10
------	Barnardsville ---	Jennie Whitaker-	Barnardsville ---	1	10	136	146	55	12	---	41.45	------	17.00	------	58.45
en----	Biltmore -------	L. D. Maney ----	Biltmore -------	1	18	212	230	---	12	---	34.50	10.00	59.75	99.07	203.32
ins---	Black Mtn.------	H. R. Clements--	Black Mountain -	1	11	165	176	35	12	12	20.00	------	25.00	------	45.00
------	Rock View ------	Ellis Burleson---	Rock View------	1	7	66	73	10	---	---	------	------	------	------	------
yer---	Beech ----------	Floyd Hensley---	Beech ----------	1	8	128	136	45	12	---	16.00	------	1.20	------	17.20
------	Dillingham -----	Pearl West -----	Dillingham -----	1	10	45	55	30	12	---	6.22	------	8.03	.65	14.90
------	Fairview ------	S. J. Merrill----	Fairview ------	2	18	335	353	325	12	28	80.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	110.00
ller---	Weaverville ----	Vinetta Williams	Weaverville ----	1	9	60	69	33	12	3	8.72	------	13.90	------	22.62
------	Aazalia -------	F. A. Wilkerson-	Biltmore -------	1	7	70	77	35	12	---	20.00	------	------	------	20.00
ek----	Candler -------	C. C. Morgan----	Candler -------	1	9	51	60	35	12	---	18.08	------	6.19	------	24.27
s------	Biltmore, No. 3--	E. C. Vick------	Candler -------	1	6	50	56	15	12	---	20.00	------	------	------	20.00
yder---	Alexander -----	Barnett Williams	Alexander ------	1	7	70	77	---	12	1	20.00	------	------	------	20.00
ene---	Candler -------	J. O. Roberson---	Candler -------	1	10	42	52	21	12	3	48.97	------	13.50	------	62.47
er----	Asheville, No. 4-	Blenche Welch --	Asheville, No. 4-	1	11	95	106	58	12	17	44.00	10.00	46.00	5.00	105.07
r------	Alexander ------	Edna Rymer ----	Alexander ------	1	6	54	60	---	---	---	------	------	------	------	------
an----	Stockville ------	H. B. Bradley---	Stockville ------	1	6	35	41	20	12	9	10.00	2.40	------	------	12.40
nac --	Asheville, No. 5-	Frank Bagwell--	Asheville, No. 5-	1	10	70	80	20	12	3	55.00	6.00	5.00	25.00	91.00
pie---	Candler -------	S. L. Morgan----	Candler -------	1	8	75	83	---	---	---	------	------	------	------	------
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s------	Biltmore ------	A. T. Davidson--	Biltmore ------	1	6	64	70	30	12	5	12.00	------	------	------	12.00
s------	Ridgecrest -----	T. E. Sigmon----	Ridge Crest-----	1	8	40	48	30	12	---	50.00	------	30.00	10.00	90.00
hester	Candler -------	R. E. Morgan---	Candler -------	1	8	96	104	20	12	2	29.81	5.60	15.26	------	141.67
yes---	Asheville ------	Sue K. Selinas---	Asheville ------	1	8	112	120	25	12	10	92.27	14.92	5.32	74.08	184.59
------	Fairview ------	Frank Mitchell --	Asheville ------	1	6	55	61	30	12	---	15.00	------	------	------	15.00
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l------	Candler -------	Wessie McElrath	Candler -------	1	4	37	41	18	12	---	6.00	------	------	------	6.00
y----	Asheville, No. 5	S. W. Briggs----	Asheville, No. 5-	1	8	50	58	---	---	---	23.76	------	------	------	23.76
					364	4156	4520	---	---	199	$1508.76	$469.86	$1105.65	$509.53	$3593.80

TABLE IV—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

CHURCH.	NAME OF ORGANIZATION.	PRESIDENT.	POSTOFFICE.	No. of Members.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Judson Centennial Fund.	
Antioch	W. M. S.	Mrs. Mattie Hensley	Democrat	20	$ 5.00	$ 6.00	$ 5.00	$	$
Asheville, First	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. B. Waller	Asheville	225	210.70	294.49	407.51	14.00	
Beaverdam	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. E. Carter	Asheville, R. 1	7	16.60	20.25	27.75		
Berea	W. M. S.			6					
Biltmore	W. M. S.	Mrs. Sue B. Reed	Biltmore	10	11.35	12.00	15.00	0.00	
Calvary	W. M. S.	Mrs. B. B. Jones	Asheville, R. 3	42	10.90	84.40	16.87	2.00	
Fairview	W. M. S.	Mrs. N. B. Phillips	Fairview	10	2.35	7.10	20.40		
Flat Creek	W. M. S.	Mrs. W. W. Buckner	Weaverville, R. 1	12		7.45	1.65		
French Brd. Ave.	W. M. S.	Mrs. E. M. Smith	Asheville	30	75.93	88.60	79.55		
New Bridge	W. M. S.	Mrs. R. D. Buckner	Asheville, R. 5	15	2.00	5.00	2.00		
North Asheville	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. C. Owen	Asheville	19	33.26	67.69	85.22	5.00	
Ridgecrest	W. M. S.	Mrs. A. W. Biggers	Ridgecrest	29	10.00	13.00	17.00	5.00	
Riverside	W. M. S.	Mrs. W. R. Buckner	Asheville	26	20.00	5.00	13.56	3.50	
Swannanoa	W. M. S.	Mrs. L. B. Shirlen	Swannanoa	12					
S. Black Mtn.	W. M. S.	Mrs. F. B. Braid	Black Mountain	15	11.50	9.00	5.00		
West End	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. E. Groves	Asheville	10	1.70	5.00	16.45		
Asheville, First	Y. W. A.	Miss Mamie Creasman	Asheville	30	48.50	55.75	147.00	6.00	
Calvary	Y. W. A.	Miss Agnes Brown	Asheville, R. 3	15	1.85	7.85	4.00		
French Broad	Y. W. A.	Miss Vida Welfley	Asheville	7		4.00	9.00		
West End	Y. W. A.	Miss Grace Morgan	Asheville	14					
		LEADERS.							
French Broad	Girls' Auxiliary	Mrs. C. A. Klutz	Asheville	10		.50	8.74		
Riverside	Girls' Auxiliary	Miss Alice Hough	Asheville	10	10.00				
West End	Girls' Auxiliary	Miss Bertha Woody	Asheville	8	1.35	2.52	.85		
Asheville, First	Royal Amb'd'rs	Mrs. G. A. Shuford	Asheville			31.56			
French Broad	Royal Amb'd'rs	Miss Frankie Else	Asheville	22			6.40		
Ridgecrest	Royal Amb'd'rs	Mrs. J. R. Pace	Ridgecrest	10	.35	1.00	1.70		
West End	Royal Amb'd'rs	Mr. Collins	Asheville						
Asheville, First	Sunbeams	Mrs. G. A. Shuford	Asheville			45.79			
Biltmore	Sunbeams	Mrs. C. M. Rock	Biltmore	50		2.70			
Calvary	Sunbeams	Miss Evangeline Jenkins	Asheville	30					
French Broad	Sunbeams	Mrs. E. M. Smith	Asheville	30	3.58	3.52	10.05		
Ridgecrest	Sunbeams	Mrs. J. R. Pace	Ridgecrest	20	.65		.57		
West End	Sunbeams	Mrs. C. E. Groves	Asheville	35	1.20	2.53	1.16		
North Asheville	Sunbeams	Miss Ida Haynes	Asheville	50		2.50			
Riverside S. S.							6.92		
			Totals	820	$478.77	$779.20	$909.35	$22.50	$1

MINUTES

OF THE

Seventeenth Annual Session

OF THE

Woman's Missionary Union of Buncombe County

AUXILIARY TO

Buncombe County Association

WATCHWORD:

"Go Ye Into All the World."

FRENCH BROAD AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Asheville, N. C., July 27, 1916.

The next session will be held with Antioch Baptist Church, Democrat, N. C., Thursday of the fourth week in July, 1917.

OFFICERS, 1916-1917.

Associational Superintendent_____Miss Annie L. Logan, Asheville
Associate Superintendent_____Mrs. C. O. Hutchinson, Asheville
Secretary_____Mrs. A. Matthews, Asheville
Treasurer_____Mrs. J. P. Feezor, Biltmore
Superintendent of Young People's Work_Mrs. E. M. Smith, Asheville

SPECIAL OBJECTS.

First Quarter—March, April, May.

Home Missions—Week of Prayer and Thank Offering for Home Missions second week in April. Expense fund for Central Committee.

Second Quarter—June, July, August.

Louisville Training School Offering, Associational Progress Fund.

Third Quarter—September, October, November.

State Missions—State Mission Day in September.

Fourth Quarter—December, January, February.

Foreign Missions—Week of Prayer for World-Wide Missions, and Christmas offering.

Send all Mission money to Mr. Walters N. Durham, Raleigh, N. C.

Send all expense fund money for Central Committee, and all funds for Louisville Training School to Miss Bertha Carroll, 102 Recorder Building, Raleigh, N. C.

MINUTES

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Buncombe County Association met in its annual session July 27th, 1916, with the French Broad Avenue Church, Asheville, N. C.

The morning session began at 9:30. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. John Bomar. Prayer by Mrs. J. H. Tucker. Song, "Must I Go And Empty-Handed?" This was followed by the yearly report of the Superintendent, Miss Annie Logan.

Superintendent's Report.

Another year of service and blessing has passed, a year of opportunity and responsibility is before us. We have gathered to make our reports, to compare notes and from these things to gain encouragement and impetus that we may be better prepared to meet these opportunities and responsibilities. There are many things in the work of the past year that make it a pleasure for me to give to you my report.

We have now enrolled in our Association 35 societies, 16 of these being Woman's Missionary Societies, 4 Young Woman's Auxiliaries, 3 Girls' Auxiliaries, 7 Sunbeams, and 5 Royal Ambassadors, with a total membership of 743, this being an increase of 203 over last year.

Ten new Societies have been organized and one reorganized during the year. Credits for these are given to Biltmore, Beaverdam, Calvary, North Asheville, Ridgecrest, Riverside and West End Woman's Missionary Societies.

On hearing the reports from the various Societies, you will notice that our Mission literature is being more largely used by the Societies. However, we do not have as many subscriptions to Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal as last year.

Only 7 Study Classes have been reported and yet this is one of the best means we have of increasing our knowledge of missions. Let us determine to have a Study Class or at least a Reading Circle in each and every society this year.

We are very glad indeed to say that every Woman's Missionary Society and Y. W. A. except two have engaged in many forms of personal service. This feature of our work enables us to see more direct results of our efforts besides bringing comfort, relief and cheer to hundreds of persons. The greatest increase in contributions was made by North Asheville W. M. S., Calvary W. M. S. and Biltmore W. M. S. The greatest increase in membership by Asheville First Church W. M. S. and Calvary W. M. S. Those societies having an average attendance of more than 50 per cent. being W. M. S. West End 80 per cent., Sunbeams West End, G. A.'s West End 66 2-3 per cent., Biltmore W. M. S., Fairview W. M. S., Riverside W. M. S., Riverside G. A. 60 per cent., and New Bridge 51 per cent.

Those societies making distinction on the standard of excellence are:

Class A—Riverside W. M. S., Ridgecrest W. M. S.

Class B—Asheville First Church W. M. S., Calvary W. M. S.,

French Broad Ave. W. M. S., North Asheville W. M. S., West End W. M. S., Asheville First Church Y. W. A.

Our contributions for the year for the various objects have been:

Foreign Missions	$ 908.85
Home Missions	701.85
State Missions	401.34
Training School	102.95
Judson Fund	322.50
Expense and Progress Fund	30.45
Personal Service	978.57
Other Objects	155.73
Total	$3,602.24

Your Associational Superintendent has made 20 visits to Societies, written 164 letters and 16 postals.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Progress Fund paid at Association meeting	$ 9.50
Received later	3.88
Total	$13.38
Disbursements:—	
For postage	$ 4.25
For Stationery	.75
Printing blanks	1.50
Phone message	.10
Traveling	2.30
To Miss Barrus for record book	.75
Total	$ 9.65
To Minute Fund	4.95
	$14.60
Overdraft	$ 1.22

MINUTE FUND REPORT.

Cost of printing minutes	$22.00
Received from Societies	17.05
Paid from Progress Fund	4.95

Respectfully submitted,

MISS ANNIE L. LOGAN.

Mrs. A. Matthews, Secretary, then read reports from the Societies. There were reports from every Society in the county except three. We find the work in the county to be progressive and very encouraging.

This was followed by a two-minute talk from the president of each Society on what they had found to be the most helpful feature of their work during the past year. Mrs. G. A. Shuford, of the Asheville First Church, considered the Circle Plan the most helpful.

Mrs. Robt. J. Dowtin, of Biltmore, visiting and asking for special pledges. Miss Logan, Calvary, Circle Plan and the spirit of co-operation promoted by packing splendid missionary box. Miss Sue K. Salinas, Riverside Church, the Mission and Reading Circles. Miss Mary Ables, New Bridge, organizing the young people. Miss Ida Haynes, North Asheville, personal letters from missionaries, writing personal letters, and studying the Bible. Mrs. Mattie Hensley, Antioch, personal service. Miss Vonnie Lance, Y. W. A. First Church, Asheville, social feature and personal service. Miss Agnes Brown, Y. W. A. Calvary, mission study. Miss Gladys Buckner, G. A. Riverside, mission study charts.

Then followed a conference on Young People's Work.

Among those who spoke were Mrs. C. M. Rock, Biltmore, emphasizing individual work among Sunbeams. Mrs. E. M. Smith, French Broad Avenue, observance of special seasons of prayer, and appropriate programs for Sunbeams. Mrs. C. E. Grove, West End Sunbeams, individual work and attendance on two church services.

Mrs. George A. Shuford, Asheville First Church, recommended combining the Sunbeam and Royal Ambassador Mission work with the S. S. Mission work, having found that plan very satisfactory and successful in her own church.

Miss Ida Haynes, North Asheville, Sunbeams. Mrs. C. A. Klutz, French Broad Avenue, Royal Ambassadors. Mrs. C. E. Grove, West End, Girls' Auxiliary.

Song, "There Shall be Showers of Blessing."

An interesting paper on "How to Interest Boys" was given by Miss Frankie Else. A general discussion followed this paper, and then a special prayer for the Work among the Young People.

Talk on State Missions, Mrs. W. H. Woodall.

The Constitution was read, and on motion of Mrs. W. H. Woodall, was adopted.

Appointment of committees.

Dismissed with prayer by Dr. C. B. Waller.

Dinner.

2:00 P. M.

Opening hymn, "The Solid Rock."

Prayer by Miss Lanman.

Song by Inez Miller, of Biltmore Sunbeams.

Conference on Methods, conducted by Mrs. W. H. Woodall:

1st. Enlistment of new members—Mrs. J. M. Ledford, Mrs. Azor Schell, Mrs. W. W. Young, and Miss Vonnie Lance.

Prayer by Mrs. Burdick for guidance in enlisting more women.

2nd. Circle or Group Plan—Mrs. E. J. Pepper, Mrs. Floyd Brown, Mrs. Willis P. Abbey, and Mrs. E. M. Smith.

3rd. Systematic Giving—Mrs. Ida Haynes, Mrs. George Morgan, Mrs. C. B. Waller, Mrs. S. J. Ashworth and Miss Annie Lee.

4th. Personal Service—"Why Report It?" Mrs. W. E. Logan.

Song—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Talk on Home Missions, by Mrs. J. H. Tucker.

The recommendations of the Central Committee were then read, and unanimously adopted. Reports of committees followed.

Report of Obituary Committee.

At every annual meeting of our W. M. U. there is a touch of sadness and sorrow as well as gladness.

At this time our hearts are saddened by the loss of our most faithful and much beloved members. We sorrow not as those who have no hope, but we realize our loss is their eternal gain. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved ones and bow in humble submission to the will of God who doeth all things well. Those who have been called higher during the year are: Mrs. Mary J. Alexander, Mrs. L. W. Roberson, Mrs. McHain.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. AZER SCHELL, Chairman;
MRS. W. TRACEY,
MRS. J. M. LEDFORD.

A short service in memory of Mrs. Mary J. Alexander was then held. One of her favorite hymns, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," was sung, followed by prayer by Mrs. C. B. Waller.

Report of Literature Committee.

Resolved, That one of the most important things in the workings of our Missionary Societies is the spreading and increasing of information. In order to do this, we recommend the taking and reading of the different mission journals prepared especially for use in our societies. To aid in this work this committee has been appointed to solicit and receive subscriptions to the following journals: Royal Service, 25c; Foreign Mission Journal, 25c; Home Field, 25c.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS IDA HAYNES,
MRS. B. L. WHITESIDES,
MRS. R. J. DOWTIN,
MRS. BECK,
MRS. W. E. LOGAN.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

It is the voice of the Committee on Resolutions that this body return a vote of thanks to the French Broad Avenue Church for the use of their building, and especially for the kind hospitality shown in the elegant lunch served and the kind service rendered. Also to the Home Board for the use of maps and other charts on the wall.

MRS. SUE B. REED,
MRS. J. P. PARKER,
MRS. C. E. GROVE,
Committee.

Adopted by rising vote.

Report of Time and Place Committee.

We, the Committee on Time and Place, beg leave to submit the following report:

Time, fourth Thursday in July, 1917. Place, Antioch Church, Democrat, N. C.

MRS. GEO. B. MORGAN, Chairman;
MRS. H. D. CLEAVELAND,
MRS. HENSLEY.

Report of Nominating Committee.

Your Committee on Nominations most respectfully submit the names of the following ladies to fill the several offices of this body during the ensuing year:

Superintendent—Miss Annie Logan.
Associate Superintendent—Mrs. O. C. Hutchison.
Superintendent Young People's Work—Mrs. E. M. Smith.
Secretary—Mrs. A. Matthews.
Treasurer—Mrs. J. P. Feezor.

MRS. TUCKER, Chairman;
MRS. S. J. ASHWORTH,
MRS. E. M. SMITH,
MRS. J. P. FEEZOR,
MRS. C. O. HUTCHISON.

Adopted unanimously.

It was then moved and seconded that the minutes of the Buncombe County Woman's Missionary Union be printed under the same cover with the Buncombe County Association. Motion adopted.

It was moved and seconded that the W. M. U. of the Buncombe County Association invite the State W. M. U. to hold their annual session in 1918 with us, the meetings to be held in the First Baptist Church, Asheville. Motion unanimously adopted.

The meeting was then adjourned to meet with the Antioch Baptist Church, Democrat, N. C., on the last Thursday in July, 1917.

MISS ANNIE L. LOGAN, Supt.
MRS. A. MATTHEWS, Treas.

List of Delegates.

Antioch—Mrs. Mattie E. Hensley, Mrs. Horace Carter.

Asheville, First Church—Mrs. C. C. Willis, Mrs. G. F. Stradley, Mrs. J. Q. McGuire, Mrs. W. B. Frady, Mrs. F. B. Singletary, Mrs. Edw. J. Pepper, Mrs. W. P. Abbey, Mrs. J. H. Tucker, Mrs. Calvin B. Waller, Mrs. T. E. Merrill, Mrs. T. L. Griggs, Mrs. G. W. Purefoy, Miss Annie G. Lee, Mrs. Wade Goldsmith, Mrs. N. S. Everhart, Miss Adda Matthews, Miss Willie Lon Young, Mrs. W. W. Young, Mrs. E. Barnes, Mrs. A. Matthews, Mrs. G. A. Shuford, Mrs. W. H. Woodall, Mrs. T. S. Rector, Mrs. Edwin McKay, Mrs. Azor Schell, Miss Vonnie Lance, Mrs. Ruth Stradley.

Biltmore—Mrs. C. M. Rock, Mrs. Sue B. Reed, Mrs. Inetz Miller, Mrs. J. P. Feezor, Mrs. P. A. Miller, Mrs. R. J. Dowtin, Mrs. F. C. Lackman, Miss Nell Brevard, Miss Juanita Brevard.

Calvary—Mrs. P. B. Brown, Mrs. W. E. Logan, Mrs. B. B. Jones, Mrs. Theo. Jones, Mrs. F. B. Ingle, Mrs. Floyd Brown, Mrs. W. E. Howard, Miss Myrtle Logan, Miss Agnes Brown, Miss Grace Logan, Miss Mabel Starnes, Miss Essey Brown, Miss Mattie B. Jones, Miss Irene Logan, Miss Annie Logan.

Fairview—Mrs. S. J. Ashworth.

French Broad Ave.—Mrs. M. E. Farmer, Mrs. J. M. Ledford, Mrs. J. J. Hunt, Mrs. J. F. Sims, Miss Margaret Frady, Mrs. C. A. Klutz, Mrs. E. M. Smith, Mrs. John Bomar.

North Asheville—Mrs. Turner, Mrs. C. O. Hutchison, Mrs. A. E.

Sloan, Mrs. G. B. Morgan, Mrs. W. B. Tracey, Mrs. M. E. Roberts, Miss Ida Haynes.

Riverside—Miss Sue K. Salinas, Miss Gladys Buckner.

South Black Mountain—Mrs. Jas. P. Parker, Mrs. F. B. Braid.

West End—Mrs. C. E. Groves, Miss Robbie Chandler, Mrs. W. H. Wyatt, Mrs. Gertrude Mack.

New Bridge—Mrs. H. D. Cleaveland, Mrs. R. D. Buckner, Mrs. John Wyatt, Miss Mary Ables.

Visitors—Mrs. G. C. Byers, Mrs. R. L. Phillips, Miss Tessie F. Turner, Mrs. R. F. Goldsmith, Mrs. Lula Thompson, Mrs. N. G. Carter, Mrs. A. B. Veatch, Miss Beulah Flenniken, Miss J. G. Lanneau, Mrs. W. V. Etheridge, Mrs. Anna Macy Griffith, Mrs. E. R. Carswell.

Recommendations of Executive Committee.

Being grateful for the blessings that have come to us during the past years of our labors together, and believing that our efforts may be made more effective by having a basis for our work, we, the Executive Committee of the W. M. U. of Buncombe Co. Association, submit to you the following recommendations:

1. **Watchword.** That our watchword be "Go ye into all the world." Mark 16:15.

2. **Points of Emphasis.** That in all our plans we place the spiritual emphasis first, encouraging regular study of the Bible and individual and united prayer.

3. **Gifts.** That we seek to make our contributions in a more systematic way in order that we may prevent debts on our various boards. That we make an increase of 10 per cent. over our gifts of last year. That all members of the W. M. S. make their contributions to missions through their societies, that wherever the envelope system is used proper credits be given the contributions of the women.

4. **Organization.** That we endeavor to enlist the women of all the churches in our Association and to this end that each society take as its aim the organization and maintenance of a new society during the year. That in churches where we have societies we seek to enroll at least 50 per cent. of the women members of the church in our societies.

5. **Special Objects.** That we urge each society to observe the special seasons of prayer and gifts for Home, Foreign and State Missions, and that we make a special contribution to the Louisville Training School during the summer quarter.

6. **Personal Service.** That each society continue its efforts to meet the spiritual and physical needs of its own community, that accurate records be kept of the same by a Personal Service Committee in order that by this means we may arouse interest in others along this line.

7. **Literature.** That a more widespread use of our Mission literature be made; that our literature committee seek to place copies of one or more Mission magazines and a Calendar of Prayer in each home represented in our organization.

8. **Mission Study.** That each society plan for a Mission Study Class or Reading Circle for the further enlarging of our missionary

information. Suggestions for such, and lists of most suitable books may be had from our Literature Rooms, 15 West Franklin St., Baltimore, Md.

9. Expense and Progress Funds. That each society contribute 10c per member during the month of May for the expense fund of the Central Committee, and at the annual Associational meeting each society pay 5c per member as an Associational Progress Fund to be used by the Associational Superintendent and her associates in carrying on their work.

10. Standard of Excellence. That we adopt the following as our Standard of Excellence:

STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE FOR W. M. S. AND Y. W. A.

1. At least twelve regular meetings a year with a devotional exercise and a definite missionary program.

2. An increase in membership during the year of at least ten per cent. of the number enrolled at the beginning of the year until all eligible members are enlisted.

3. An increase of gifts to missions of not less than ten per cent. of the preceding year's contributions to similar objects.

4. Regular reports to State Officers each quarter of the year.

5. One of the denominational magazines or a Calendar of Prayer, subscribed for in at least half of the homes represented in the Missionary Society, the ultimate aim being one in every home.

6. Observance of the special seasons of prayer for State, Home, and Foreign Missions.

7. At least one Mission Study Class during the year.

8. An average attendance at regular meetings of a number equal to one-half of the membership.

9. Some definite organized Personal Service rendered regularly to those of your own community in spiritual or physical need.

10. Organization and fostering of a Missionary Society in a neighboring church, or for the younger people of the local church.

Suggested

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

For Associational Union

Preamble.

We, the women of Baptist churches in Buncombe Association, with a desire to stimulate the missionary spirit and grace of giving among our women and young people, and to aid in collecting funds for missionary purposes, to be disbursed by the Boards of the State and Southern Baptist Convention, adopt the following Constitution:

ARTICLE I.

Name.

This organization shall be known as the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to Buncombe Association.

ARTICLE II.

Object.

The object shall be:

(1) To receive and distribute missionary information and to encourage the organization of societies and mission study classes.

(2) To stimulate the women and young people of the Association to systematic and proportionate giving to missions at home and abroad, and to personal service among the destitute and unfortunate in their own communities.

ARTICLE III.

Membership.

The membership of the Union shall be composed only of Missionary Societies connected with churches in Buncombe Association.

ARTICLE IV.

Officers.

Section 1. The officers shall be a Superintendent, who shall also be President of the Associational Union, an Associate Superintendent, a Secretary-Treasurer and a Superintendent of Young People's Work.

Sec. 2. Officers shall be elected annually at the closing of the Union after nominations by a nominating committee of five.

ARTICLE V.

Associational Meeting.

The Associational Meeting shall be held at such time and place as the Union shall decide.

ARTICLE VI.

Representation at Associational Meeting.

The officers of the Union, five members of local Societies, two

delegates from each W. M. S., two from each Y. W. A., and leader, with one delegate from each Young People's Society shall form the representation at Associational meetings.

ARTICLE VII.

Religious Exercises.

Every session of the Union shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

ARTICLE VIII.

Executive Committee.

The officers of the Union shall form an Executive Committee, which should maintain close relations with the State W. M. U. This committee shall assist the Superintendent in the general work of the Union; shall arrange program for Associational Meeting, at which time it shall submit recommendations as a basis of work for the coming year; shall see that the apportionment suggested to the Association by the State Union is divided among the Societies.

ARTICLE IX.

Amendments.

This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any Associational Meeting, written notice of the proposed change having been sent to the Superintendent before the first session.

BY-LAWS

I.—Duties of Officers.

Section 1. **Superintendent**—The Superintendent shall preside as President at Associational and Executive Committee meetings; shall appoint all committees not otherwise provided for; shall cooperate with local committee in arranging for Annual Meeting; shall advance in every way possible the work of the Association; and shall have a general supervision of all the work of the Associational Union. She shall keep in touch with Societies by visiting, correspondence, and by sending literature; shall endeavor, with the aid of her associates, to organize a W. M. S., Y. W. A., Sunbeam Band and Order of R. A.'s in every church of the Association. She shall submit an annual report to the Associational Union, shall send a quarterly report to the State Central Committee, and shall prepare a comprehensive report of the years work for the Annual Meeting of Buncombe Association. She shall attend, if possible, the conference of Associational Superintendents and Central Committee held in connection with the Annual Session of the State Woman's Missionary Union and present a report of her Association. She shall see that the President of each Society receives the card with suggested apportionment for the year not later than one month after the Annual Session of the State Union.

Sec. 2. **Associate Superintendent**—The Associational Superintendent shall preside in the absence of the Superintendent, and shall aid so far as possible in the development of the Union's work.

Sec. 3. **Secretary**—The Secretary shall keep a record of annual Executive Committee meetings; shall tabulate the list of delegates;

shall notify committees of their appointments. She shall prepare the minutes for printing.

Treasurer—The Treasurer shall keep an accurate account of all moneys passing through her hands and shall make an annual report to the Associational Union.

Superintendent of Young People's Work—The Superintendent of Young People's Work shall have oversight of all Young People's Societies in this Association. She shall keep in touch with these organizations by visiting and correspondence. With the help of other officers she shall endeavor to organize the various societies for young people in every church in the Association. She shall submit a report of her work to the Associational Union in annual session.

II.—Associational Expenses.

The expense of Associational work shall be provided for by an annual contribution of five cents per member, from each Society, same to be known as Associational Progress Fund.

III.—Committees.

Section 1. **Temporary Committees**—At the first meeting of Associational Union the Nominating Committee shall be elected. The Superintendent shall appoint the Committees on Time and Place, and Resolutions. All of these committees shall be composed of three members each, and shall report during the session.

Sec. 2. **Standing Committees**—The following standing committees shall be appointed by the Associational Superintendent, at her convenience, to report at the next annual meeting:

2. Committee of six on Literature.
3. Committee of six on Obituaries.

IV.—Messengers to the Association.

Sec. 3. Three messengers, one of them to be the Superintendent, shall be sent with the Union's report to the annual meeting of Buncombe Association. The Superintendent shall appoint the other two.

V.—Amendments.

Sec. 4. These By-Laws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual meeting, previous notice of the proposed change having been given.

J. M. Justice

MINUTES

OF THE

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Twenty-Sixth Annual Session

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OF

NORTH CAROLINA

HELD WITH

Fairview Baptist Church

August 14 and 15, 1917.

A. E. Brown, Moderator ..... Asheville, N. C.
M. W. Hamrick, Vice-Moderator ..... Asheville, N. C
T. W. Chambliss, Clerk ..... Asheville, N. C
G. D. Carter, Treasurer ..... Asheville, N. C.
M. L. Braun, Historian ..... Asheville, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

W. O. Riddick, Chairman, Asheville; T. W. Chambliss, Vice-Chairman, Asheville; A. E. Brown, Secretary; M. W. Hamrick, G. D. Carter, M. L. Braun, J. T. Justice, E. P. Stradley.

All pastors of Churches in the Association are ex-officio members.

The next session of the Association will be held with Antioch Church, near Democrat, N. C., Tuesday after the Second Sunday in August, 1918, that being August 13, 1918, at 9 a. m.

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

Biddle, J. T.	Asheville, N. C.
A. E. Brown, D. D.	Asheville, N. C.
Bomar, John	Asheville, N. C.
Bradley, W. T.	Stocksville, N. C.
Barker, William E.	Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 4
Branson, R. N.	Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 1
Bennett, J. C.	Candler
Cleveland, W. C.	Arden
Chambliss, T. W.	Asheville
Clark, L. Spurgeon	Candler
DeLoatch, B. F.	Black Mountain
Devault, J. R.	Asheville
Gentry, J. J.	Asheville
Grice, J. B.	Asheville
Hunnicutt, W. A.	Swannanoa
Huntley, S. J.	Ridgecrest
Hutchison, C. O.	Asheville
Hooker, W. H.	Asheville
Haynes, W.	Asheville, R. F. D. 1
Moore S. F.	Kingsport, Tenn.
Morgan, E. J.	Candler
Morgan, S. J., Sr.	Stocksville
Morgan, S. J., Jr.,	West Asheville
McCarter, W. P.	White Rock
Maxwell, C. N.	Asheville
Owen, J. C.	Asheville
Powell, W. F., D. D.	Asheville
Phillips, N. B.	Democrat
Pace, J. R.	Ridgecrest
Pickens, J. M.	Alexander
Proffitt, M. S.	Democrat
Plemmons, James	Candler
Rock, C. M.	Biltmore
Redmon, G. W.	Biltmore, R. F. D. 3
Sluder, M. M.	Asheville, R. F. D. 4
Sexton, J. H.	Asheville
Sorgee, Benjamin	Asheville
Wainboth, M. M.	Asheville, R. F. D. 3
Woodall, W. H.	Asheville

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Nineteen Eighteen.

TUESDAY—AUGUST 13—FIRST DAY.

9:00 a. m.—Devotional Service.
9:15 a. m.—Reading of Letters. Enrollment of Messengers.
10:15 a. m.—Organization. Election of Officers.
11:00 a. m.—Annual Sermon. Rev. W. F. Powell, D. D., Asheville.
12:00 Noon—Recognition of New Pastors. Enrollment of Visitors. Recognition of Denominational representatives.
12:30 p. m.—Announcements. Adjournment for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30 p. m.—Devotional Exercises.
1:40 p. m.—Report on Periodicals.
2:00 p. m.—Report of Executive Committee. Sunday School Committee. B. Y. P. U. Committee. State of the Churches. Discussion.
3:45 p. m.—Miscellaneous Business. Announcements. Adjournment.

EVENING SESSION.

8:00 p. m.—Report on Laymen's Work. Home Missions. Foreign Missions. Discussion. Announcements. Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY—AUGUST 14—SECOND DAY.

9:00 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.
9:15 a. m.—Report on State Missions. Discussion.
10:00 a. m.—Report on the Orphanage. Discussion.
11:00 a. m.—Report on Christian Education. Discussion.
12:00 Noon—Miscellaneous Business. Announcements. Adjournments.
1:30 p. m.—Report on Woman's Work. Discussion.
2:15 p. m.—Report on Temperance. Discussion.
3:00 p. m.—Miscellaneous Business. Final Adjournment.

T. W. CHAMBLISS,
W. HAYNES,
Committee.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Thirty-Sixth Annual Meeting of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with Fairview Baptist Church, Buncombe County, North Carolina, August 14 and 15, 1917.

The moderator, J. M. Stoner, Asheville, called the Association to order in the opening session at 9:30 in the morning of Tuesday, August 14.

Rev. J. M. Hilliard, a former member of the Association but at this time a member of the Piedmont Association and moderator of that body was present and was asked to conduct the devotional service.

The moderator called for letters from the Churches.

Letters were read by the clerk, E. B. Stradley, assisted by A. E. Brown.

The following were enrolled as messengers from Churches:

REGISTER OF MESSENGERS.

Asheville, First—W. F. Powell, J. M. Stoner, T. W. Chambliss, E. B. Stradley, G. F. Stradley, J. T. Justice, E. E. Wheeler, C. R. Baugham, W. P. Whittington, W. C. McConnell, Mrs. C. R. Baugham, Mrs. G. F. Stradley, Mrs. J. T. Justice, Mrs. J. T. Perkins, Mrs. C. S. Davis.

Asheville, Calvary—J. J. Gentry, A. E. Brown, Arthur Guthrie, A. M. Dilts, B. B. Jones, S. J. Morgan, jr., S. J. Carter, H. H. Penny, W. E. Howard, and G. H. Starnes, Jr.

Asheville, French Broad Avenue—John Bomar, G. D. Carter, Carnegie Carter, Mrs. S. P. Davis, Mrs. C. A. Klutz, Mrs. J. A. Groves, Miss Ada Beck, Mrs. W. S. Jones, Miss Fannie Davis, J. M. Spurley, Mrs. J. M. Spurley, Percy Carter.

Asheville, North—C. M. Maxwell, W. D. Tracy, Mrs. W. D. Tracy, Mrs. F. W. Thorne, Benjamin Sorgee.

Asheville, West End—R. H. Rice, W. F. Jackson, Mrs. C. E. Grove, Miss Robbie Candler, J. H. Adams, Roy Young, W. P. Crumpton.

Antioch—P. M. Loven, Justis Loven, W. T. Bradley, M. S. Proffitt, W. P. McCarter and Bertha Maney.

Avery's Creek—S. O. Ingram, Blanche Ingram.

Beaverdam—W. Haynes, E. P. Stradley, Edward Carter, Frank Edwards, F. H. Kuykendall.

Berea—J. A. Cordell, W. M. Whisenhart and Miss Clara Sharp.

Big Ivy—Hicks Ingle, V. R. Cole, E. Cole, L. A. Ingle, A. I. Ingle.

Black Mountain, North—J. Wesley Burleson, Mrs. J. Wesley Burleson, Emma Burleson and B. B. Styles.

Chestnut Grove—N. E. Brigman, H. V. Hensley, C. W. Ray, Roy Burleson.

Elk Mountain—P. G. Coffee, S. M. Briggs, G. L. Self, R. N. Branson.

Emley's Grove—J. L. Caudle W. D. Gallion.

Flat Creek—M. B. Spivey, C. D. Williams, Troy Buckner, O. E. Roberts, J. K. Robinson, J. E. Chandler, J. M. Doan.

Fairview—J. R. Grant, C. Creasman, B. K. Miller, A. W. Morgan, H. Grant, J. H. McDonald, P. O. Minch, R. A. Morgan, M. S. Crosby, Jesse Earwood.

Gash's Creek—W. J. Goldsmith, C. D. Goldsmith, W. T. Hart, J. J. Penly, Miss Daphne Sales.

Hominy—M. H. Morgan, J. H. Morgan, R. H. Hutchison, T. F. Hall, L. Spurgeon Clark, J. C. Bennett.

Jupiter—E. A. Roberts, Mrs. E. A. Roberts, G. D. Edwards, Mrs. G. D. Edwards, J. Clarence Crowder.

Liberty—W. W. Green, J. H. Holcomb, J. C. Roberson, W. A. Green, L. C. Holcomb.

Macedonia—J. G. Rymer, H. M. Buckner, James Brown, Ezra Sluder.

Mount Carmel—W. E. Barker, T. M. Rymer, A. E. Sluder, Marshall Redmon, J. H. Miller, Jesse Rymer.

Morgan Hill—S. W. Lewellyn, James N. Morgan, J. S. Ball, J. B. Morgan, Nettie Morgan, Ely Gentry, S. J. Fisher, Mrs. S. J. Fisher, James Morgan.

New Bridge—John E. McEwen, F. W. Buchanon, M. L. Braun, Mrs. M. L. Braun, Mrs. H. D. Cleveland.

New Morgan Hill—No Messengers appointed.

Reed's Chapel—E. M. Ownbey, J. J. Harris, C. L. Wolf.

Ridgeway—J. V. Morgan, R. E. Morgan, R. S. Sorrels, J. P. Morgan, P P. Morgan, T. W. Young.
Riverside—W. M. Moss, James J. Hagins, John Walkins, W. R. Buckner.
Spring Mountain—James B. Guffey, Captain Jenkins, J. F. Jenkins.
Swannanoa—W. A. Hunnicutt.
White Rock—L. W. Peebles, Collier Morgan, Thomas Morgan.

The following Churches were not represented, either by letters or messengers:

Black Mountain, South.
Brown's Chapel.
Inanda.
Pleasant Grove.
Ridgecrest.

The hour for the election of officers having arrived, the moderator, asked the privilege of requesting the Association to relieve him of further service in the chair, pledging his best efforts for the advancement of the cause in any other capacity.

The following officers were elected:

Moderator, A. E. Brown, Asheville, N. C.
Vice-Moderator, M. W. Hamrick, Asheville, N. C.
Clerk, T. W. Chambliss, Asheville, N. C.
Treasurer G. D. Carter, Asheville, N. C.
Historian, M. L. Braun, Asheville, N. C.

The tentative order of business as arranged by the committee appointed a year ago, and which appeared in the minutes, was adopted subject to any change the Association found necessary.

The appreciation of the splendid service rendered the Association by the former officers was expressed in a rising vote, taken after a motion made by W. O. Riddick.

Messengers present from Baptist Churches, members of this Association, from which Churches the letters had failed to arrive, were invited to enroll. In response, messengers from Mount Carmel, the letter having been lost in the mail, enrolled.

The hour having arrived for the Annual sermon, Rev. J. C. Bennett, appointed as the preacher, was presented. After a spiritual devotional service, Mr. Bennett preached a helpful, forceful gospel sermon, using the theme, "Guarding the Principles."

Visiting brethren were recognized by the moderator and welcomed by the Association:

Rev. J. M. Hilliard, moderator Piedmont Association.
I. N. DePuy, Cleveland, Ohio.
Mrs. I. N. DePuy, Cleveland, Ohio.
Rev. F. C. Edwards, Florida.
Rev. A. W. McDaniel, Brevard.
Rev. A. I. Justice, Fruitland Institute.

Visiting representatives of denominational interests were introduced and welcomed.

E. L. Middleton, Secretary of Sunday School work, Raleigh, N. C.
C. J. Thompson, Circulation Manager, Biblical Recorder, Raleigh N. C.
Archibald Johnson, Charity and Children, Thomasville Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C.
Walter N. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary, Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, Raleigh, N. C.
Hubert N. Poteat, member of the faculty, Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C.
C. A. Leonard, missionary of the Foreign Mission Board, China.
Mrs. C. A. Leonard, missionary of the Foreign Mission Board, China.

New pastors, who have been located in the Association during the past year were introduced by the moderator and welcomed by the Association:

W. F. Powell, D. D. First Church, Asheville.
Benjamin Sorgee, North Church, Asheville.
M. L. Braun, New Bridge.
J. J. Gentry, Calvary, Asheville.
W. E. Barker, Mount Carmel, R. F. D., Asheville.
C. N. Maxwell, Asheville.

The committees to report during the present session were appointed by the moderator, as follows:

Education—E. P. Stradley, H. H. Hutchinson.

Sunday Schools—E. N. Wright, M. W. Hamrick, L. S. Clark.

State Missions—W. F. Powell, J. G. Rymer, M. B. Spiney.

Home Missions—Benjamin Sorgee, W. C. McConnell, Marion Morgan.

Foreign Missions—J. C. Owen, J. B. Grice, J. C. Bennett.

Laymen's Movement—J. J. Gentry, C. N. Maxwell, E. B. Stradley, John Bomar.

Orphanage—W. O. Riddick, W. A. Guthrie, Eugene Sluder.

Temperance—Dr. W. P. Whittington, P. M. Loven, L. W. Peebles.

State of the Churches—W. T. Bradley, I. V. Morgan, M. W. Green, W. M. Whisenhamt, S. J. Morgan, Jr.

Periodicals—W. Haynes, J. N. Morgan, C. D. Logan.

Woman's Work—Miss Annie Logan, Mrs. J. S. Feezer, Mrs. S. P. Davis, Mrs. Joe Asheworth.

Time, Place and Preacher—J. T. Justice, J. D. Ledford, W. T. Bradley, J. W. McEwan, Mrs. H. D. Cleveland.

Nominations—J. M. Stoner, J. R. Grant, T. M. Ryner.

Apportionment—W. E. Howard, A. I. Ingle, R. H. Hutchison, P. O. Merrill.

Order of business next session—W. Haynes, T. W. Chambliss, B. B. Jones.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The moderator called the Association to order at 1:30. Rev. John Bomar led in prayer.

The clerk read a letter to the Association from Riverside Church. The letter follows:

RIVERSIDE LETTER.

The Riverside Church to the Buncombe Co. Association sends greetings.

The close of this, another year, finds us in a temporary tabernacle of our own. It is built near our lot, by courtesy of Mr. Revell, and is comfortable and attractive inside. Members of the Church and friends erected this building costing thus less than sixty dollars. A shed addition was built recently to provide for larger attendance in special meetings planned for this summer—seating capacity now about 125.

Because of the increased cost in building material, and other financial reasons we are still delayed in the building of a Church.

We have had the faithful help and good teaching of Bro. W. H. Woodall another year, with others from time to time invited to speak to us. We feel that in the Sunday School and in the preaching services, which are held every Lord's Day, we have had faithful seed sowing.

Our deacon, Bro. W. R. Moss, feeling called to the ministry, has been holding cottage meetings in his neighborhood, and holding forth the Word of Life there, and in country Churches on invitation. A number have been saved through his ministry. The personal workers' groups from the Y. M. C. A. have twice visited us.

Bro. R. V. Miller, of Hendersonville, gave us a week's preaching and teaching, well attended and much blessed. Henry Horton, a converted Hindoo, held a good missionary meeting with us, and made vivid the need of Christless millions in foreign lands.

We continually have opportunities for personal service—families burned out, sickness, need, in all of which we are happy to be used to minister help.

We have a teacher training class in the Sunday School—seven enrolled. This class meets under a tree—the work being too important, and too much needed, to wait for a separate room to be provided. We have a woman's missionary circle and a girls' auxiliary.

We have added by baptism to our number, making a membership of 34, with none lost by death or removal. We look back with thankfulness, and forward with hope and pray that God may make us increasingly "a pleasure to Himself, a comfort to our fellow workers, and a servant of all, for Jesus' sake."

ALICE B. HOUGH, (Church Clerk.)

The report on periodicals was read by W. Haynes. The report follows:

PERIODICALS.

Your Committee on periodicals submits the following report:

The New Testament order of kingdom work was to enlist, enlighten and enlarge. John the Baptist preached to the people; the people heard, repented, believed and were enlisted and John baptized them. See Matthew 3-8.

This method of work was perpetuated by Jesus Christ, using the material prepared by John in his preaching (John 1-36, 37) to organize, enlighten and prepare them for their work; thus fully equipping them for a larger sphere of usefulness in the world work. Jesus directed teaching them "all things whatsoever I have commanded you.' Matthew 28-20.

The Biblical Recorder, published weekly at Raleigh, N. C., for Two ($2.00) Dollars per annum, is rock bottom on these fundamental principles and every Church in this Association should see that its pastor regularly receives the Biblical Recorder. Each Church should further see that a number of the copies of this paper are taken and read by the members of the Church. You will find in this publication many different departments, including Sabbath School Lessons, Women's Work, Young People's Unions and many others, together with many other topics of interest to all readers.

The information contained in this paper is highly educational and enables the reader to act in a more intelligent manner in his efforts to do something and, incidently, tends to harmonize the local, state and national work.

To further the above plan, the Association earnests solicits the hearty co-operation of the Woman's Missionary Societies, the Y. W. A.'s, the B. Y. P. U.'s, and the Sunday Schools in every Church to labor in the "Every Church Movement for the Recorder.'

Respectfully Submitted,

W. HAYNES,
JAS. M. MORGAN.

Pending adoption the report was discussed by, C. J. Thompson, W. Haynes, E. L. Middleton and W. O. Riddick.

The report was adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by M. W. Hamrick. The report follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

To the Members of the Convention:

My understanding of the meaning of an annual Sunday School report is that it should be a narrative of the accomplishments of the Sunday School work during the previous year. The purpose of such a report should be not only to make public the kind and amount of work done during the year, but also to ascertain how far short of our aims we have fallen, so that, for the following year, we may properly emphasize our short-comings, in order to more nearly eliminate the same, and thus, for the coming year, approach nearer the standard toward which we should constantly work.

Such a report, if properly disseminated among our Sunday School workers, should be of inestimable value, and the fruits of the labor of making the reports would be plainly apparent. It is my wish therefore, that the Association were so active and so unified that each Sunday School knew what the other Sunday Schools in the county were doing, and also that some more exact method of reporting could be instituted and maintained. My report, I regret to say, must, for reasons which I need not mention, be brief, and restricted for the most part to work done in Asheville.

It seems almost needless to state that the benefits to be derived from teacher training work, now being done in certain of our Churches, can hardly be valued at its true worth, so beneficial is it to the teacher and so indispensable to the Sunday School; yet we must ever emphasize this work.

The report which follows is only partial, but I hope that next year the person entrusted with making the report may have facts sufficient to cover properly and adequately the whole county, and do justice to every section of the same.

There are at present 54 Diploma holders; and holders of seals as follows: 7 Red Seals; 20 Blue Seals; and 1 Gold Seal. In the Missions there are 6 holders of Diplomas and 12 Seals. There have been 4 teacher training classes taught in the Asheville mother Church, and 3 classes taught in the Mission Schools. In the Asheville Church there have been awarded this year 25 Seals: 9 Post Graduate Diplomas; and 1 King's Teacher Diploma; while in the Missions there have been awarded 12 Seals.

Wherever the teacher training classes have been held the interest shown in them has undoubedly proven that the work is well worth all the time spent

upon it, and that it should be encouraged by every Sunday School worker, in both large and small schools.

Most of the above discussion refers to methods and machinery. However, we must never lose sight of the all-important fact that even well oiled machinery, in and of itself, is nearly useless, except in so far as its product is concerned. We should, therefore, bear in mind constantly, that our object is to make the child "safe" for the Church and Christianity, in order that the sooner may "His will be done in earth as it is in heaven."

As our boys are rallying around the stars and stripes and carrying the teachings of democracy to an old-world nation to make it new, may we not rally around our Sunday Schools so that with the rising of the sun upon the sitting of the next annual convention, a new era will have been begun.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD N. WRIGHT.

Pending its adoption the report was discussed by, L. S. Clark and E. L. Middleton.

The report was adopted.

The report on Woman's Work was presented by Miss Annie Logan and read by the clerk. The report follows:

WOMAN'S WORK.

The year's work in our field has been both interesting and encouraging. In all of our Woman's Missionary Societies there has been a marked increase in numbers enlisted and in contributions made.

Our annual meeting was held at Democrat with a large delegation present, representing nearly every Woman's Missionary organization in our Association. We have thirty-five Missionary organizations, sixteen being Woman's Missionary Societies, four Young Woman's Auxiliaries, three Girls' Augilaies, ourf Royal Ambassador Chapters and eight Sunbeam Bands, the total membership of these is 742.

The contributions from these organizations for the year have been:

Foreign Missions	$1,339.70
Home Missions	1,000.55
State Missions	582.25
Louisville Training School	168.93
Personal Service	1,967.55
Other Objects	764.48
Total	$5,822.46

Of the 36 churches in our Association only 16 have any organized work for the women and yet you will find in the churches where the women are organized that the contributions to missions are much better than where there is no organized effort made. This is true of both city and country Church. Is not this alone a sufficient reason for our wanting a Woman's Missionary Society in every church. If we are rightly Missionary Baptists we ought to be doing far more for missions.

Then let us ask for hearty co-operation of every pastor and deacon in our Churches that we may enlist every woman in the Churches where we have organizations and that we may organize a Woman's Missionary Society in every Church that does not now have one. If we talk and work and pray to this end we will soon be able ot accomplish much.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNIE L. LOGAN,
MRS. J. P. FEEZER.
MARY E. BAIRD.

Pending its adoption the report was discussed by, Miss Annie Logan, T. W. Chambliss, C. J. Thompson, E. L. Middleton, J. J. Gentry and A. E. Brown.

On motion, the order of business was amended and the discussion of Education and State Missions set for Wednesday.

The report of the Executive Committee was read by the secretary, A. E. Brown, and on motion was made a special order for Wednesday, 1:00 p. m.

The report of the treasurer, G. D. Carter, was submitted. The report follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received for minute fund, Churches	$51.27
Received from Miss Annie Logan	19.00
Total receipts	$70.27

Disbursements—
Hackney and Moale $60.27
E. B. Stradley, Clerk 10.00

Total $70.27

In addition E. B. Stradley, Clerk, received from Miss Annie Logan, for the W. M. U. $6—which was also paid to Hackney-Moale, on account of the printing of the minutes.

The printing of the minutes amounted to $79.50, and a balance of $13.23 is still due on the account.

Respectfully submitted,
G. D. CARTER, Treasurer.

The report was received and ordered spread upon the minutes.

In view of the fact that the treasurer's report shows a deficit of $13.23, the motion was made and carried, that this amount be raised immediately. An offering was taken amounting to $13.36.

The Association adjourned to meet at 8:00 p. m.

FIRST DAY—NIGHT SESSION.

The moderator called the Association to order, and conducted devotional services

The report on Foreign Missions was read by J. C. Owen. The report follows:

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

To give the gospel to all the world has been from the beginning known and accepted as an essential part of our mission by all true intelligent disciples of our Lord. It is essential in God's revelation of himself to man. It is structural in His plan of the ages. It is vital in teaching of Jesus our Lord.

Southern Baptists do what they do do in this great enterprise through our Foreign Mission Board. which is located in Richmond, Va. Through the board we do work in Italy, Africa, South America, Mexico, Japan and China. We must consider the immediate necessity of taking up work in other countries in Europe.

We have on these foreign fields 458 Churches with 147,161 members, who contributed during last year $132,371.00. We employ 359 native workers. These baptized last year 6,347 new converts. For the support of this work Southern Baptists contributed last year, $751,356.57. This does not include $212,829.39 given to the Judson Centennial Fund.

On account of the increased prices on all foreign fields and the necessity of maintaining and enlarging our work it is essential that we enlarge our gifts to this cause. At this time of special need God expects every man in the Buncombe Association to do his duty.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. OWEN.

Pending adoption the report was discussed by J. C. Owen.

The report was adopted.

The report on Home Missions was read by Benjamin Sorgee. The report follows:

HOME MISSIONS.

We, your committee on Home Missions, beg leave to submit the following report:

Located in Atlanta, Ga., is one of the mightiest agencies for the propagation of Christian truth that can be found in all the world. This agency is the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

It is the purpose of this Board to aid all of our Churches to fulfill to the utmost their Christ-inspired zeal for the salvation of the lost; and in the highest development of Christian character.

The work accomplished through our Home Board last year is truly enheartening. Its report shows that as a summary of all the work of the various departments, 37,724 persons have been received into our churches by baptism and that the total number of additions was 60,202. There were also one thousand seven hundred and ten volunteers for the ministry and missions.

Other numerous and important results have been achieved by this Board that cannot be mentioned here.

A comparison of the expense for the operation of our Home Board with the expense for the operation of like Boards of other denominations is truly encouraging. We are informed by those who know that the expense for the operation of our Board is not more than half the amount expended by similar Boards of some other larger denominations in America. Yet the results achieved

through our Board are four times as large as those achieved through other similar Boards.

But, nothwithstanding the large results achieved and the small cost comparatively at which this Board has been able to achieve these results, there lies before our Home Board today a field for service such as it has perhaps never seen before and will not see again soon. We still have the city with its great problems; the mountain people are to be reached, especially along educational lines; the negroes of the south appeal to us just now because of their unsettled condition in many sections; the foreigner is in our midst and we must reach him with the gospel. There are some of the old lines of our work and their needs appeal to us with mighty force.

But just now a new opportunity and obligation is appealing to us. In various sections of our southland there are thousands and thousands of our soldiers in camp. Here are to be found the finest and most splendid of our young men. They will be subject to temptation as never before. They will be separated from home and loved ones and will need strength. These peculiar conditions will render them more tender and susceptible to the gospel appeal. We ought to provide for the preaching of a pure gospel to these young men. This can be done best through our Home Board. We ought to enable this Board to send to these camps many of the strongest of our preachers. These encampments present to us both an opportunity and an obligation. We must either spiritualize them or be demoralized by them. The former we can do; the latter will follow as an inevitable result, if we are negligent of our duty here.

Then let us pray that we may be strengthened with might to meet these tremendous opportunities. Here is a field for every Church, every preacher, every individual, every Association and State Convention and the Home Board to exert his or its utmost endeavor in the evangelization of our southland.

Let us remember, too, that we have already vast numbers to be developed in Christian character and efficiency; and that as evangelization is carried on, we shall have still more need for enlistment and development. Perhaps the weakest point in our Baptist life is that we have such a large amount of undeveloped material. Numbers alone do not constitute strength. Our people must have vision, if they are to be strong. They will not have vision without education.

To meet all these needs, opportunities and responsibilities let us give ourselves in absolute abandonment to the will of God for our lives as individual and for our institutions as through which he desires to accomplish his purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. SORGEE.

Pending its adoption the report was discussed by, Benjamin Sorgee, C. J. Thompson, A. E. Brown and T. W. Chambliss.

The report was adopted.

After announcements, C. J. Thompson led in prayer, and the Association adjourned to meet Wednesday morning, August 15, at 9:30.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 9:30 by the moderator.

M. L. Braun led the devotional services, which was featured by a vocal solo rendered by Mrs. M. L. Braun.

The report on B. Y. P. U. was read by C. N. Maxwell. The report follows:

B. Y. P. U.

We, the committee on B. Y. P. U., beg to submit the following report:

Being greatly handicapped by the reason of not being the regular appointee for this report we must necessarily make our report brief.

We find by examination of the reports of the churches, that there are only seven active B. Y. P. U.'s in Buncombe County and of these seven only four have complied with the requirements and made a full report. The others have merely stated that they drew breath.

There seems to be either one of two things wrong with the work. Either the pastors are negligent in their duties of getting the whole church to work or there is no young people to develop. Either is a sad state of affairs.

We feel that the B. Y. P. U.'s that are at work are doing a great work and that they are indispensable, therefore, we make the following recommendations:

1. That each Church organize a B. Y. P. U. at the earliest convenient time and that they be given the support of the pastors of the respective churches when possible.

2. That they, where possible, co-operate with each other in making that department of church work what it should be.

3. That where the work of the B. Y. P. U. is not understood those Churches be aided to get the proper understanding.

4. That we have a better report for 1917-1918.

Respectfully submitted by your committee,

C. N. MAXWELL,
JOHN BOMAR.

Pending the adoption of the report it was discussed by, C. N. Maxwell and A. E. Brown.

The report was adopted.

On motion the moderator was instructed to appoint a special committee of the Association to be known as the B. Y. P. U. Committee. This committee to arrange for four B. Y. P. U. meetings during the coming year, and to strive for the advancement of Young People's Work.

The report on Education was read by E. P. Stradley. The report follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

In this age of progress no Christian denomination can hold is own without a well trained ministry and an intelligent membership. Especially is this true with respect to Baptists for we claim a higher degree of liberty and a closer adherence to the Bible than any other people.

This excellence can only be attained and maintained by a liberally educated membership. In its true sense, this can only be given in our own schools.

Kingdom building is not the business of the state. It is our business. We stand or fall as we do or fail to do.

Pending adoption the report was discussed by, Hubert P. Poteat, C. J. Thompson, J. J. Gentry, J. H. McConnell, J. C. Owen, A. I. Justice and A. E. Brown.

The report was adopted.

The Association enjoyed at this time a vocal solo by Hubert N. Poteat, of Wake Forest College.

The report on the Orphanage was read by W. O. Riddick. The report follows:

ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage has had a fine year and we are glad to report progress in all departments of the institution.

Four hundred and fifty children at Thomasville and fifty-five at the Kennedy Home is the enrollment. The per capita cost of maintaining, training, educating and dressing the children is $10.50 per month.

There are thirty-two children from Buncombe County being cared for at the two places. The Buncombe Association gave about $2,000.00 for their support during the year 1916-17, which is hardly one-half the cost to the institution. We must not allow this again and we resolve that we can't do less than support our own children.

We urge all the Churches to adopt the "One day work" plan for Thanksgiving and the pushing of the monthly collection in all our Sunday Schools. We also urge all the Sunday Schools to put a copy of Charity and Children in the home of every Baptist in the community.

Respectfully submitted,

W. O. RIDDICK,
For Committee.

Pending its adoption the report was discussed by J. M. Stoner, Archibald Johnson, J. M. Hilliard, W. O. Riddick, R. H. Hutchison, C. N. Maxwell and A. E. Brown.

The report was adopted.

On motion the Association endorsed the "One Day Work or Income Plan" for the Orphanage, and J. M. Stoner was appointed to have charge of this plan during the coming year, and to present to all the Churches this method for supporting the Orphanage.

The moderator suggested that at the next session of the Association, better results could be accomplished by making a change in the method of presenting the various objects to the Association. He proposed that in addition to appointing a chairman to write the report that some one be named to speak to each report.

On motion the suggestion of the moderator was adopted, and the following appointments were made for the next year:

Periodicals—J. M. Stoner, S. J. Morgan, Jr.
Education—W. C. McConnell, Benjamin Sorgee.
Sunday Schools—J. R. Grant, J. J. Gentry.
State Missions—W. O Riddick. J. C. Bennett.
Home Missions—E. P. Stradley, J. C. Owen.
Foreign Missions—W. Haynes, J. B. Grice.
Laymen's Movement—W. E. Howard, W. F. Powell.
Orphanage—M. L. Braun, T. W. Chambliss.
Temperance—M. W. Hamrick, W. T. Bradley.
State of Churches—W. H. Woodall, Jno. Bomar.
Woman's Work—Mrs. J. J. Gentry, E. J. Morgan.

The first named on each committee will prepare the report and the second named will speak fifteen minutes on the report.

The Association adjourned for dinner.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the moderator.

The Rev C. A. Leonard, of China, led in prayer. The moderator introduced to the Association Rev. C. A. Leonard and Mrs. C. A. Leonard, missionaries on the Foreign Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention, now at home on a furlough.

Emerys Grove Baptist Church, formerly a member of this Association, presented a letter with messengers and was, on motion, restored to the roll of Churches.

The report on "State of Churches" was read by W. T. Bradley. J. J. Gentry offered a resolution concerning enlarged Sunday School work. The clerk read another resolution along the same lines. On motion both resolution were referred to the committee on "State of Churches."

The committee added to their report the resolution presented by J J. Gentry, with some changes.

The report as amended follows:

STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

1. The letters to the Association show that most of our churches have Sunday Schools, but there are not as many of our church members in the schools as there should be. We would suggest that a regular canvass be made and see if we can't enlist a larger per cent of our members to attend Sunday School.

2. What the state of our Churches in regard to our Baptist doctrine are we earnestly contending for the faith ones delivered to the saints. We insist that our pastors ought to indoctrinate our church members.

3. What is the state of our Churches in regard to finances? Are we contributing our means to State, Home and Foreign Missions, and all the objects of the Association as we ought? Let us to it that we do our level best to carry out the Lord's financial plan, here it is upon the first day of the week, let every one of you lay by him in store as God has prospered him. I Cor.

4. We would like to know what per cent of our Church members take and read the Biblical Recorder. There ought to be a copy of the Recorder in every Baptist family in North Carolina. We would recommend that the letters to the Association next year show the number of copies of the Recorder taken in our Churches.

5. What is the spiritual condition of our Churches? Are we growing worldly minded, formal and neglecting our duties? Be not confirmed to this world. Rom. 12-2. As ye therefore have recovered Christ Jesus the Lord so walk ye in Him, oroted and built up in Him, abounding therein with thanksgiving. Col. 2-6, 7.

WHEREAS, The Sunday School work is essentially a most important foundation work of the kingdom.

WHEREFORE, Be it Resolved, that this Association appoint a standing committee of three men to be known as the Sunday School Committee, this committee, to have special oversight over the Sunday Schools in the territory of this Association. To take the necessary steps to organize a Baptist Sunday School Convention, and to report to and be guided by the advice of the executive committee. This committee to report to the next session of the Association.

W. T. BRADLEY,
J. J. GENTRY.

The report of the Executive Committee offered Tuesday and made

a special order for this hour was re-read to the Association. The report follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee met October the 26th, 1916, and organized by electing W. Haynes, president; G. D. Carter, vice-president; A. E. Brown, secretary.

After a full and free discussion, it was decided that for the coming year the Executive Committee would project its efforts along the lines of enlistment and evangelism. In order to secure the co-operation of the pastors and Churches in these lines of work, a special meeting was called for November 21st, at the First Baptist Church in Asheville. All pastors in the Association were requested to be present, and each Church was asked to send two representatives to this meeting, one of whom was to be a lady.

The meeting was fairly well attended; the ladies of the First Church furnishing luncheon, and in other ways contributed to making it a pleasant day. The committee which had been appointed to suggest plans for the enlistment work recommended that a two-day meeting to be held with each church desiring it, and that the Executive Committee undertake to furnish three pastors to speak on Saturday and three laymen on Sunday. The Asheville pastors volunteered their services, also a number of our leading laymen. A few of the pastors invited these meetings to be held in their churches, but a majority of the Churches have shown themselves indifferent to these meetings.

In addition to this arrangement, the Executive Committee secured from the Home Mission Board the services of Dr. J. C. Owen for a six weeks' campaign to begin the first of May. The Asheville Churches agreed to finance these meetings as well as to furnish speakers to co-operate with Brother Owen. Dr. Owen and the secretary of the Executive Committee wrote to the pastors and Churches asking them to make arrangements for these special enlistment services, but the response was so discouraging that it was decided to abandon the effort.

The Executive Committee endeavored to arrange for simultaneous evangelistic meetings in all parts of the county, to begin July 15th and extend to August 12th. We asked Dr. Bruner, superintendent of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board, to bring his evangelistic force and take charge of these meetings, but about this time Dr. Bruner resigned as superintendent of Evangelism, and entered upon the pastorate of the Tabernacle Church, Raleigh. This left us without any one to head the campaign, and so it was decided to postpone it. Your Executive Committee feels that during the next year such a campaign should be undertaken, and we hope that the calling of many of our young men to enlist in the army has sufficiently awakened our pastors and Churches to make this campaign possible as well as profitable. We invite a discussion of this during the present session of the Association, and hope that plans may be adopted which the Executive Committee will be glad to carry out.

Your Committee recommended the State Mission Board to aid the Black Mountain and Ridgecrest field $400; Swannanoa field $400; North Asheville Church $400; New Bridge Church $200. Brother W. O. Riddick, at the request of the Committee, attended the meeting of the State Board and insisted on our recommendations, but the State Board was so overwhelmed with requests that they were unable to grant all that we asked, but did appropriate $400 to the Black Mountain field; $200 to North Asheville, and $200 to New Bridge.

The Executive Committee, through Brother E. B. Stradley, proffered assistance to Berea and Swannanoa Churches in locating Rev. J. T. Biddle as pastor, the Asheville Churches agreeing to pay $100 on his salary. Brother Biddle was called to these Churches and has been giving his time to them for a part of the year, and reports from his work are encouraging.

Your Executive Committee would call the attention of the Association to the balance of $50.00 still due on the amount borrowed by them to pay Brother Marr for evangelistic work. This matter has been before the Association now for three years. May we not expect that it be disposed of at this session?

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. BROWN, Secretary.

Pending adoption the reports were discussed by W. T. Bradley, E. B. Stradley, J. C. Owen, S. J. Morgan, Jr., J. C. Bennett, T. W. Chambliss and J. J. Gentry.

On motion of T. W. Chambliss the Association proceeded to take subscriptions to pay off the indebtedness of the Executive Committee. The following pledges were made:

First Church Asheville	$25
Calvary Church, Asheville	10
French Broad Church, Asheville	5

West End, Asheville,	5
North Asheville	3
Biltmore	3
J. C. Bennett's Field	2
New Bridge	1

The report on "State of Churches" was then adopted.

The report of the Executive Committee was received and ordered spread upon the minutes.

The report of the committee on Nominations was read. The report follows:

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Executive Committee: A. E. Brown, M. W. Hamrick, T. W. Chambliss, G. D. Carter, W. O. Riddick, J. T. Justice, E. P. Stradley.

All pastors in the Association are ex-officio members of the Board.

Delegate to Southern Convention, J. C. Bennett, Candler, North Carolina.

Delegate to Baptist State Convention, J. J. Gentry, Asheville, North Carolina.

The report was adopted.

The report on State Missions was read by W. F. Powell. The report follows:

STATE MISSIONS.

Missions is Christ preaching through me to serve the world. We have Foreign Missions because there are nations considered foreign to us. Home Missions because we have a homeland of our own. We have State Missions because there is a State of North Carolina, and we live in it.

The work that North Carolina Baptists are doing for missions is entrusted to the Board of Missions at Raleigh, N. C. We are undertaking to raise in this state this year $140,000 for this work, $5,500 for Foreign Missions, $37,500 for Home Missions, $47,500 for State Missions, not including associational missions, nor Sunday School Missions.

Our State Missionary work is primarily a work of evangelization for about one-half of our population is not yet in the membership of any Church. There is also a work of enlistment to be done in our older and stronger Churches for 200,000 white Baptists in North Carolina are not yet on the job of advancing our Lord's Kingdom. We have also a work of adjustment, made necessary by the springing up of new towns and by the changed conditions that are fast coming in our country districts. We have now at work about 150 missionaries and workers in the state. Our Mission Board is making appropriations to this work in three-fourths of our district Associations.

There is planned for the early weeks of next year a system of simultaneous schools for pastors and workers. One of these schools will naturally be located in the vicinity of this Association. We are moving toward unity in our Mission work. We shall soon have one big drive for Missions each year instead of three separate efforts for Home, Foreign and State Missions.

Decided progress was made in this direction the past year, but much remains to be done

We regret that according to letters in the hands of the Clerk at present the Churches in Buncombe Association are reported as having given $1,585.00, 1916 and $1,234.99 in 1917, a decrease of $350.00.

We recommend that we undertake to raise during the coming year $1,750.00 for this great cause.

W. F. POWELL.

Pending adoption the report was discussed by C. A. Leonard and Walter N. Johnson.

The report was adopted.

The report on Temperance was read by Dr. W. P. Whittington. The report follows:

TEMPERANCE.

To the Moderator and messengers of the Buncombe County Baptist Association in session at Fairview, N. C.

It is with much pleasure that we look back on the records of our denomination, and county, referring to temperance, and the saloon question. Our denomination has always stood for temperance, and moderation in everything, and has long since reached the point where it can say without fear of successful contradiction, that alcohol in any shape, or under any name is ab-

solutely useless and nearly always injuries, when taken internally as a medicine, or beverage.

We are proud to say that the medical profession as a whole, and with very few exceptions have lately come to this conclusion, and have so announced in many of their State and National Associations.

In 1908 our city voted to close saloons by a majority of 848. In May, 1908, when the state, our beloved state, voted to close the saloons forever (I hope), Buncombe County gave the largest majority of any county in the state (viz) 3,670, only 593 votes being cast in favor of saloons. In this election the state gave a majority of about 42,000. Nation-wide Prohibition, seems to be almost in sight. The food bill which is just being put into effect, carries a clause preventing the manufacturing of distilled liquors, during the continuation of the war, and also giving the President power to suspend the manufacture of beer, wine or other fermented liquors. The government has also prohibited the sale of all intoxicating drinks within a prescribed distance of any and all cantonments or army camps.

The United States senate on the first of August passed a resolution authorizing the several states to vote an amendment to the constitution of the United States prohibiting the manufacture, and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

With 26 states now bone dry, and 90 per cent of the territory of the other states under prohibition, there seems no good reason to doubt that at the end of the six years allowed for the states to vote; the people will cast the required two-thirds majority necessary to give us nation-wide prohibition.

W. P. WHITTINGTON.

Pending adoption the report was discussed by Dr. W. P. Whittington.

The report was adopted.

The report of the Historian was presented by S. J. Morgan, and was ordered printed in the minutes. The report follows:

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

Our year's world of 1916-17 has been closed. It is what the Baptists of Buncombe County have made it.

Some of our Churches have made great progress. Others are weaker than they were twenty years ago.

There are a number of our Churches without a pastor—some preachers in our Association without work.

Some change in pastorates during the past year.

Dr. Powell succeeds Dr. Waller at First Church, Asheville.

Brother Sorgee succeeds Brother Hutchins, North Asheville. Brother Braun has charge of New Bridge Church. Brother Gentry succeeds Brother Killian at West Asheville. Brother Rock resigns at Biltmore. Brother Phillips leaves Fairview to take charge of the Joy Field. There must be an awakening in some of our country Churches or the cause will continue to suffer.

We need more spiritual life and power to win the lost to Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

S. J. MORGAN, JR.

The report on Laymen's Movement was read by J. J. Gentry. The report follows:

LAYMEN'S WORK.

While much good has been done by the Laymen's Missionary Movement and many laymen enlisted who might never have otherwise been reached, yet among our Baptist laymen, the great opportunity for service in this line, seems not to have gripped them.

Recently, however, the Committee on Laymen's work for the Southern Baptist Convention has turned its attention to work in two directions.

1. They desire to organize a band of not less than ten thousand men, each of whom shall pledge himself to pay at least $5.00 in response to any appeal that is endorsed by the secretaries of the Home and Foreign Boards of the Laymen's Missionary Movement combined; there be not more than one such call in a year. In other words these shall form a great reserve force, who shall be at all times ready to throw themselves into the breach and save the day for the Denomination and the Kingdom.

2. This committee recognizes the great work done by the women, through their organizations and now recommends that the men organize themselves into the "Men's Missionary Union." This will be to the men what the W. M. U. is to the women, the B. Y. P. U. is to the young people. Copies of suggested Constitution and By-Laws, programs, etc., may be obtained from Secretary J. T. Henderson, Knoxville, Tenn.

We heartily commend the work of the committee and urge Pastors and

Laymen, who are interested in the ongoing of the Kingdom, to get in line with this committee and help in the propagation of work along all of these lines.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. GENTRY,
M. L. BRAUN.

Pending adoption the report was discussed by J. J. Gentry.

The report was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher was read by J. T. Justice. The report follows:

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER.

Your Committee on Time, Place and Preacher recommends:

Antioch as place of meeting in 1918.

Time—Tuesday after the second Sunday in August at 9:00 in the morning.

Rev. W. F. Powell as preacher of the introductory sermon.

Your Committee recommends that the Association of 1918 remember New Bridge as a place of meeting in 1919."

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Apportionments made its report. The report will be found in the appendix.

The report was adopted.

The following resolution was offered, and on motion was adopted.

"Recognizing the importance of representatives of denominational interests, and desirous of hearing the messages from these brothers, BE IT RESOLVED,

"That the Moderator shall give the official representative an opportunity following the opening address under each subject but that in all further discussion only members of the Association shall be recognized except by unanimous consent of the Association."

The following resolution was offered and, on motion, was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, in view of the gracious hospitality and large hearted welcome shown the Association by the members of the Fairview Church and the people of the community, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this Association does unanimously express its heartfelt appreciation.

The treasurer reported the following receipts during the session of this Association.

Received for minute fund	$ 32.77
Received for special collection	13.36
Received for other objects	152.59
Total receipts	$198.72

The report was ordered printed in the minutes.

On motion the clerk was instructed to have 500 copies of the minutes printed and distributed, and was allowed $10 for his services.

Pending a motion to adjourn, the Association joined in singing and was led in prayer by C. A. Leonard.

The Association adjourned to meet Tuesday after the second Sunday in August, 1918, in the Antioch Baptist Church.

A. E. BROWN, Moderator.

T. W. CHAMBLISS, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICE I.—Name.

This Association shall be known as Buncombe County Baptist Association.

Article II.—Objects.

The objects of this Association shall be:

1. To elicit, combine and direct the energies of the Baptists of Buncombe County in one sacred effort to encourage and promote the propagation of the Gospel within our bounds.

2. To foster and promote, under the auspices of the Baptist State Convention, the cause of State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, Orphanage, Sunday School and Colportage, Old Ministers' Relief and Temperance.

3. This Association disclaims to exercise lordship over the churches or to have any power which entitles it to infringe upon the internal rights of any of the churches composing it.

ARTICLE III.—Constituency.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent by each Baptist Church in Buncombe County who shall be duly recommended by letter from the Church to which they belong, provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is so situated as to make it more convenient from natural causes to belong to this body shall be entitled to membership and representation in this Association.

Sec. 2. Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members exceeding twenty-five.

Sec. 3. Name of no delegates shall appear in the Minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

Article IV.

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian.

Sec. 2. All the officers shall be elected annually and immediately after the reading of the church letters and the enrollment of the delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the other officers in any way the Association may direct.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at all meetings of the body, and keep order in accordance with Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to preside in the absence of the Moderator.

It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of this body in a business-like manner, to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes of the Association, and to turn them over to his successor.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds belonging to the Association, and to pay them out to the objects for which they were collected.

It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep a record of such items as would be of interest to a future Historian, to preserve the same in a book. He shall also keep a file of the Minutes.

Article V.—Committees.

At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees, whose duty it shall be to report at the next annual meeting: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State of the Churches, Orphanage, Sunday Schools, Temperance, Woman's

Work, Order of Business, Time and Place and Annual Sermon for the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE V.

The Association shall at each annual meeting appoint an Executive Board to consist of the officers of the Association and three judicious and active brethren; three of whom shall constitute a quorum. All pastors shall be associate members of the Board.

The Executive Board shall superintend the mission work in the county, and carry out the resolutions and orders of the Association during its recess.

Article VII.—Church Letters.

The letters from the churches shall give the following information: name of church and date of organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in its membership and their postoffices; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded, number of deaths during the year; time of meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Orphanage, Sunday School, and for any other objects.

Report of Sunday School will show the name of the Superintendent and Secretary with their postoffices, number enrolled, average attendance during the year, amount paid for the support of the Sunday School and for benevolent objects.

Article VIII.

The body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

Article IX.

This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article X.

Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI.

This Association may carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

Article XII.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting.

W. M. U. AUXILIARY TO BUNCOMBE CO. ASSO.

The W. M. U. Auxiliary to the Buncombe Co. Association held its annual meeting with Antioch Baptist church on Thursday, July 26th.

Reports from the various organizations were good, showing an increase over last year's work.

The program included two conferences, one on Young People's Work, the other on Our Association and Its Plans. Talks on Home, Foreign and State Missions and the Louisville Training school. Among the visitors on the program were Mrs. Paul Montgomery, of South Carolina; Miss Bertha Carroll, of Raleigh; Rev. N. Langston, returned missionary from Brazil.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

(Miss) Annie L. Logan, Supt.

Mrs. C. A. Klutz, Associate Supt.

Mrs. A. Matthews, Secretary.

Mrs. J. P. Feezer, Treasurer.

Miss Mary Stradley, Supt. Young People's Work.

APPORTIONMENT BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

CHURCH	Associational State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday School Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Aged Ministers	Total
Asheville, First	$1,200.00	$1,200.00	$1,500.00	$ 25.00	$1,200.00	$ 150.00	$ 25.00	$5,300.00
Asheville, French Broad	75.00	125.00	125.00	5.00	175.00	10.00	10.00	525.00
Asheville, West End	150.00	50.00	50.00	2.50	75.00	20.00	10.00	357.50
Asheville, Calvary	100.00	125.00	75.00	5.00	175.00	10.00	10.00	525.00
North Asheville	25.00	25.00	50.00	2.50	60.00	2.50	2.50	192.50
Avery Creek	10.00	5.00	6.00	1.00	12.00	1.00	1.00	31.00
Antioch	15.00	25.00	20.00	1.00	50.00	5.00	2.50	118.50
Berea	2.50	5.00	5.00	1.00	12.00	1.00	1.00	27.50
Big Ivy	15.00	25.00	25.00	5.00	50.00	2.50	2.50	125.00
Biltmore	35.00	50.00	50.00	2.50	175.00	2.50	2.50	317.50
South Black Mountain	20.00	25.00	15.00	2.50	60.00	2.00	2.00	126.50
North Black Mountain	2.50	5.00	5.00	2.50	12.00	1.00	1.00	29.00
Brown's Chapel	2.50	5.00	5.00	1.00	6.00	1.00	1.00	20.50
Beaverdam	50.00	75.00	90.00	2.50	110.00	5.00	5.00	337.50
Chestnut Grove	3.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	15.00	1.00	1.00	31.00
Elk Mountain	5.00	7.50	7.50	1.00	12.00	1.00	1.00	35.00
Fairview	60.00	100.00	75.00	5.00	135.00	15.00	10.00	387.50
Flat Creek	10.00	15.00	15.00	1.00	30.00	1.00	1.00	73.00
Gash's Creek	5.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	20.00	1.00	1.00	48.00
Hominy	10.00	15.00	15.00	1.00	35.00	1.00	1.00	78.00
Inanda	2.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	15.00	1.00	1.00	30.00
Jupiter	5.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	20.00	5.00	2.00	53.00
Liberty	5.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	20.00	2.00	2.00	50.00
Mt. Carmel	10.00	15.00	15.00	1.00	65.00	2.00	2.00	110.00
Macedonia	2.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	1.00	17.00
Morgan Hill	5.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	18.00	1.00	1.00	46.00
New Bridge	5.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	18.00	1.00	1.00	46.00
New Morgan Hill	2.50	5.00	5.00	1.00	16.00	1.00	1.00	31.50
Pleasant Grove	2.50	5.00	2.50	1.00	12.00	1.00	1.00	25.00
Reed's Chapel	2.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	8.00	1.00	1.00	20.00
Ridgecrest	2.00	10.00	4.00	1.00	30.00	1.00	1.00	47.00
Ridgeway	3.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	15.00	1.00	1.00	31.00
Riverside	10.00	15.00	20.00	1.00	25.00	1.00	1.00	73.00
Spring Mountain	2.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	8.00	1.00	1.00	20.00
Swannanoa	2.00	5.00	2.00	1.00	10.00	1.00	1.00	22.00
White Rock	2.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	8.00	1.00	1.00	23.00
TOTALS	$1,857.50	$2,022.50	$2,258.00	$ 85.00	$2,712.00	$ 255.50	$ 110.00	$9,330.00

TABLE I—STATISTICAL.

CHURCH	PASTOR	POSTOFFICE	CLERK	POSTOFFICE	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	GAINS		
							By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration
Asheville First	W. F. Powell	Asheville	J. A. Egerton	Asheville	Every	$100,000	....	....	....
Asheville Calvary	J. J. Gentry	West Asheville	J. W. Baity	West Asheville	Every	8,500	65	73	1
Asheville French Broad	John Bomar	Asheville	J. A. Groves	Asheville	Every	22,000	6	32	....
Asheville North	Benjamin Sorgee	Asheville	W. W. Turner	Asheville	Every	7,000	10	31	2
Asheville West End	J. B. Grice	Asheville	M. C. Sprinkle	Asheville	Every	7,000	43	42	6
Antioch	N. B. Phillips	Democrat	S. S. Gentry	Democrat	1 & 3	1,200	14	3	....
Avery's Creek	Chas. F. Owen	Waynesville	S. O. Ingram	Arden	4	200	....	1	....
Beaverdam	W. T. Bradley	Stocksville	E. P. Stradley	Asheville, R. 1	2 & 4	1,400	....	5	....
Berea	J. B. Biddle	Asheville	J. A. Cordell	Swannanoa, R. 3	1 & 3	1,500	....	....	....
Big Ivy	N. B. Phillips	Democrat	Jennie Whitaker	Barnardsville	2 & 4	.....	16	10	....
*Biltmore	.....	.....	.....	.....		10,000	....	....	....
*Black Mountain South	.....	.....	.....	.....		3,500	....	....	....
Black Mountain North	B. B. Styles	Mars Hill	Ellis Burleson	Rockview		1,500	....	....	....
*Brown's Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....		1,200	....	....	....
Chestnut Grove	N. B. Phillips	Democrat	Roy Burleson	Dillingham	2 & 4	800	....	....	....
Elk Mountain	J. A. Bradley	Marshall	J. M. Howard	Asheville, R. 5	2 & 4	1,000	....	1	....
Emley Grove	S. J. Huntley	Ridgecrest	M. D. Galyean	Fletcher		50	....	....	....
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradley	Stocksville	M. B. Spivey	Stocksville	1	1,000	19	3	4
Fairview	.....	.....	Jessie Earwood	Fairview	Every	10,000	6	....	....
Gash's Creek	.....	.....	W. L. Hart	Biltmore	2 & 4	6,000	5	....	....
Hominy	J. C. Bennett	Candler	Levi S. Clark	Candler	1	3,000	....	4	....
*Inanda	.....	.....	.....	.....		1,000	....	....	....
Jupiter	.....	.....	L. J. Roberts	Weaverville	4	1,000	4	2	....
Liberty	J. C. Bennett	Candler	L. W. Young	Candler	3 & 4	1,600	7	4	....
*Mt. Carmel	.....	.....	.....	.....		1,000	....	....	....
Macedonia	T. C. Roberts	Marshall, R. 2	Hugh Rymer	Alexander	2	600	6	5	1
Morgan Hill	W. P. McCracken	Mars Hill	S. W. Lewellyn	Stocksville	4	1,000	....	....	....
New Bridge	M. L. Braun	Asheville, R. 1	M. A. Lominac	Asheville, R. 5	Every	3,000	7	4	11
New Morgan Hill	J. C. Bennett	Candler	S. L. Morgan	Candler	3	1,000	13	....	....
*Pleasant Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....		500	....	....	....
Reed's Chapel	W. C. Cleveland	Arden	A. T. Davidson	Biltmore	1 & 3	1,000	1	....	....
*Ridgecrest	.....	.....	.....	.....		500	....	....	....
Ridgeway	J. C. Bennett	Candler	J. V. Morgan	Candler	1 & 4	2,300	10	6	....
Riverside	W. H. Woodall	Asheville	Miss Alice B. Hough	Asheville	Every	.....	2	....	....
Spring Mountain	S. F. Huntley	Ridgecrest	J. B. Guffey	Fairview	1	700	2	1	....
Swannanoa	.....	.....	L. B. Buchanan	Swannanoa	2 & 4	1,000	....	2	....
White Rock	W. M. Pruitt	Hazelwood	Collier Morgan	Candler	4	3,000	....	3	....
Totals	.....	.....	.....	.....		$212,350	236	232	25

NOTE—Net gain over 1916—383—First Asheville revised roll and dropped 478 names.
*No report for 1917—figures for 1916.

TABLE II—FINANCIAL.

	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Ministerial Relief	Colleges and Schools	Other Objects	TOTAL
.83	$2420.46	$1243.11	$175.57	$10.00	$340.19	$ 831.32	$ 738.50	$ 489.55	$.....	$ 280.66	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$12143
.00	359.65	172.15	50.00	5.00	.....	111.52	202.37	201.25	.....	154.31	.....	.....	.....	75.81	206
.81	83.31	81.24	20.03	5.00	.....	79.88	146.28	210.30	5.00	97.01	1.39	1.69	.....	236.27	756
.30	105.24	51.14	6.00	2.00	.....	33.18	37.40	95.57	2.50	27.84	2.50	2.50	.....	104.76	98
.40	244.49	132.63	50.84	3.00	.....	89.52	90.65	81.71	.....	60.00	.....	.....	11.00	.....	177
...	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	15.00	10.00	.....	.....	17.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15
.00	.....	.....	10.00	2.00	1.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	.....	6.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	13
...	32.78	42.54	10.25	3.00	.....	76.62	53.10	107.39	2.50	138.68	5.00	5.00	2.25	69.34	74
.00	9.00	10.88	.....	.50	.....	.....	5.00	5.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15
...	14.00	26.00	84.00	3.00	.....	8.00	8.00	10.00	.....	12.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	46
...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
...	.....	6.00	.....	.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.25	6
...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
...	.....	10.00	.....	1.00	.....	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.50	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
.00	20.00	41.80	25.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.42	.....	.....	.....	.....	24
...	.....	9.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
...	13.75	11.29	9.23	1.50	.....	12.00	13.59	13.60	1.00	25.65	1.00	1.00	.....	.70	16
.00	100.00	90.00	15.00	1.95	.....	10.00	15.00	32.50	.....	30.00	.....	.....	110.00	165.00	146
...	100.00	28.10	.....	1.00	.....	5.00	5.00	5.00	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15
.33	268.05	20.01	12.65	2.00	.....	13.50	5.50	11.00	.....	39.51	8.62	.....	.....	.....	84
...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.00	5.00	20.00	15.00	1.50	.....	5.00	5.00	10.00	3.00	15.00	.....	2.50	.....	.....	15
.33	268.85	23.73	.....	1.35	.....	5.00	5.00	3.30	.....	19.98	.....	.....	.....	.....	79
...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
...	.....	8.00	25.00	1.67	.....	5.00	2.52	2.38	.....	30.80	.....	.....	.....	8.31	18
...	12.00	12.00	.....	1.75	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	2.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	9
.39	13.35	56.00	4.52	2.00	.....	3.00	12.50	12.50	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	55.25	239
.00	.....	6.00	.....	1.00	.....	10.00	10.00	10.00	.....	6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15
...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
...	10.00	15.40	19.20	.90	.....	.....	.....	.98	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	35.00	13
...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.35	41.94	104.73	.....	1.25	.....	7.05	6.00	6.00	.....	30.50	28.39	.....	2.00	11.31	57
.00	25.00	27.64	20.00	1.80	.....	.....	9.41	18.99	.....	5.39	.....	.....	.....	43.40	35
.00	.....	17.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9
.00	.....	25.00	.....	1.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
...	3.00	50.95	3.75	1.05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	18
.74	$4149.87	$2342.84	$556.04	$61.47	$341.19	$1331.59	$1388.82	$1335.02	$15.50	$1048.95	$47.90	$13.65	$125.25	$816.40	$3448

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCH	SUP'T.	POSTOFFICE	SECRETARY	POSTOFFICE	Number of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Kept Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses
Asheville, First	C. S. Davis	Asheville	Lee Ownbey	Asheville	2	55	945	1000	....	12	....	$ 422.42
Asheville, Calvary	W. E. Howard	West Asheville	J. W. Baity	West Asheville	1	22	250	266	....	12	....	93.37
Asheville, French Broad	G. D. Carter	Asheville	Miss Ada Beck	Asheville	1	20	230	250	130	12	2	81.24
Asheville, North	Ralph Echard	Asheville	F. R. Ovendon	Asheville	1	14	150	164	....	12	9	51.14
Asheville, West End	R. G. Young	Asheville	M. B. Jackson	West Asheville	1	15	212	227	71	12	....	82.63
Antioch	Z. V. Foister	Democrat	Clara Hensley	Democrat	1	11	97	108	....	12	....	11.80
Avery's Creek					....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Beaverdam	E. P. Stradley	Asheville, R. 1	Frank Edwards	Asheville, R. 1	1	7	92	99	34	12	....	42.54
Berea	J. A. Cordell	Swannanoa, R. 1	J. A. Cordell	Swannanoa, R. 1	1	5	35	40	12	12	....	10.88
Big Ivy					1	10	136	146	55	12	....	26.00
*Biltmore	J. P. Kitchen	Biltmore			1	18	212	230	....	12	....	.....
*Black Mtn., South					1	11	165	176	35	12	....	.....
Black Mtn., North	E. W. Haynes	Rockview	Ellis Burleson	Rockview	1	9	61	70	....	....	....	6.00
*Brown's Chapel					1	8	128	136	....	12	....	.....
Chestnut Grove	H. V. Hensley	Dillingham	Azelia Allen	Dillingham	1	8	50	58	20	12	....	.....
Elk Mountain	P. G. Coffey	Asheville, R. 5	C. B. Jones	Asheville, R. 5	1	8	75	93	20	11	....	24.38
Emley's Grove	J. T. Campbell	Fletcher	John W. Whitaker	Fletcher	1	8	50	58	....	12	....	9.50
Flat Creek	J. E. Chandler	Weaverville	Vinetta Williams	Weaverville	1	8	60	68	32	12	15	11.25
Fairview	J. R. Grant	Fairview	S. J. Merrill	Fairview	2	15	270	285	185	12	....	90.00
Gash's Creek	T. J. Ingle	Azalia	F. A. Williams	Biltmore	1	7	80	87	38	12	5	28.10
Hominy	T. F. Hall	Candler	W. F. Clark	Candler	1	9	70	79	36	12	....	20.00
*Inanda					1	6	50	56	....	12	....	.....
Jupiter	W. W. Crowder	Alexander	Miss Allie Pickens	Alexander	1	7	73	80	30	12	4	20.00
Liberty	W. W. Green	Candler	C. W. Rhinehart	Candler	1	9	41	50	15	12	....	32.75
*Mt. Carmel		Alexander, R. 1			1	11	95	106	....	12	....	.....
Macedonia	Hugh Rymer	Stocksville	Miss Virginia Knight	Alexander, R. 1	1	6	90	96	....	12	....	8.00
Morgan Hill	J. J. Ammons	Asheville, R. 5	H. B. Bradley	Stocksville	1	7	35	42	20	12	....	12.00
New Bridge	M. A. Lominac		R. A. Braun	Asheville	1	10	70	80	25	12	7	56.00
New Morgan Hill	D. S. Walters	Candler	N. C. Henson	Candler	1	8	53	65	20	12	13	6.00
*Pleasant Grove					....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Reed's Chapel	J. J. Harris	Biltmore	A. T. Davidson	Biltmore	1	6	173	179	14	12	1	15.45
*Ridgecrest					1	8	40	48	....	12	....	.....
Ridgeway	O. H. Winchester	Candler	R. E. Morgan	Candler	1	9	112	121	33	12	10	104.70
Riverside	James F. Haynes	Asheville	Miss Sue K. Salinas	Asheville	1	5	105	110	16	12	2	27.60
Spring Mountain	F. M. Reed	Fairview	S. W. Guffee	Fairview	2	8	70	78	30	12	3	17.00
Swannanoa	W. A. Hunnicutt	Swannanoa	Miss Bessie Penland	Swannanoa	1	5	60	65	20	12	....	.....
White Rock	L. W. Peebles	Candler	Wessie McElrath	Candler	1	8	62	70	50	12	....	6.90
Totals					38	373	4679	4875	941	12	71	$2073.0

*No letter—Last year's figures—Blanks indicate no report in 1916.

TABLE IV—WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

ME OF GANIZA-TION	PRESIDENT	POSTOFFICE	Number of Members	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Personal Service	Training School	Other Objects	Total Contributions
I. S.	Mrs. Mattie Hensley ..	Democrat	25	$ 8.00	$ 5.00	$ 5.00	$ 16.65	$ 2.75	$ .75	$ 38.15
I. S.	Mrs. E. B. Moore	Asheville	214	332.38	622.47	854.20	1654.55	76.45	271.60	3811.65
I. S.	Mrs. Robt. Oates	Asheville, R. 1	12	15.25	20.00	30.25	2.50	5.25	1.75	75.00
I. S.	Mrs. Sue B. Reed	Biltmore	12	12.25	62.25	20.00	80.00	13.00	66.75	254.25
I. S.	Mrs. J. M. Ledford ...	West Asheville	63	27.52	83.85	34.25	26.95	12.08	3.10	187.75
I. S.	Mrs. P. O. Freeman ..	Fairview	10	1.25	3.30	30.50	5.00	.....	123.50	163.55
I. S.	Mrs W. W. Buckner ..	Weaverville, R. 1..	19	2.25	3.35	.....	.....	.....	.20	5.80
I. S.	Mrs. C. A. Klutz	Asheville	36	39.49	39.40	78.16	52.70	4.35	73.45	287.55
I. S.	Mrs. W. L. Hart	Biltmore R. 1	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
I. S.	Mrs. J. A. Brown	Asheville, R. 4	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
I. S.	Mrs. H. D. Cleveland..	Asheville, R. 1	13	3.00	9.00	3.00	38.25	1.00	88.94	143.19
I. S.	Mrs. J. C. Owens	Asheville	18	17.35	21.85	61.20	.....	2.30	62.35	165.05
I. S.	Mrs. W. R. Buckner ..	Asheville	18	.....	8.50	6.00	40.00	.....	3.80	58.30
I. S.	Mrs. C. J. Biggers	Ridgecrest	14	10.00	11.00	21.00	.....	4.00	.54	46.54
I. S.	Mrs. E. W. Queen	Black Mountain	16	11.95	14.00	8.90	7.70	.....	3.25	45.80
I. S.	Mrs. C. E. Groves	Asheville	12	.....	3.80	6.86	14.50	.....	.25	25.41
. A.	Mrs. Chester Brown ..	Asheville	23	6.55	17.15	96.13	.....	43.55	3.92	167.30
. A.	Miss Agnes Brown ...	West Asheville	19	.....	.....	5.00	.....	1.85	.....	6.85
. A.	Miss Lois Green	Asheville	18	5.00	6.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	16.00
. A.	Miss Minnie Worley ..	Asheville	12	2.84	8.02	9.25	.....	.....	.....	20.11
Aux. ...	Miss Gertrude Bean ..	Asheville	16	2.35	2.20	5.58	3.25	.....	11.75	25.13
Aux. ...	Miss Gladys Roberson.	Asheville	..	.....	4.17	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.17
Aux. ...	Miss Grace Morgan ..	Asheville	12	1.31	4.20	1.91	.....	.....	.....	7.42
eams			...	37.42	17.83	21.00	8.60	.....	18.12	102.97
eams	Mrs. C. M. Rock	Biltmore	50	1.63	1.30	.97	.....	.....	.....	3.90
eams	Miss Lois Green	Asheville	35	1.97	.60	6.29	3.00	.....	3.00	14.86
eams	Miss Ida Haynes	Asheville	24	.....	2.57	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.57
eams			...	.....	.....	2.96	1.25	2.35	.....	6.56
eams	Mrs. Lowder	Ridgecrest	...	1.00	.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.10
eams	Miss Mildred Byrd ...	Black Mountain	20	.....	.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.50
eams	Miss Martha Goley ...	Asheville	...	1.06	4.31	1.82	.....	.....	.....	7.19
l Amb. ..			...	35.75	20.84	21.27	8.60	.....	24.46	112.92
l Amb. ..	Miss Frankie Else ...	Asheville	14	3.41	.65	3.20	4.05	.....	.....	11.31
l Amb. ..	Mrs. J. R Pace	Ridgecrest	...	.....	.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.10
l Amb. ..	Roy Young	Asheville	...	1.27	2.24	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.51
			742	$582.25	$1000.55	$1339.70	$1967.55	$168.93	$764.48	$5822.46

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All pastors of Churches in the Association are er-officio members.

The next session of the Association will be held with New Bridge Church, near Asheville, Tuesday after the Second Sunday in August, 1919, that being August 12, 1919, at 9 a. m.

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

Biddie, J. T. ..... Asheville
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Grice, J. B. ..... Asheville
Hunnicutt, W. A. ..... Swannanoa
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Kuykendall, W. J. ..... Asheville
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Pace, J. R. ..... Ridgecrest
Pickens, J. M. ..... Alexander
Proffitt, M. S. ..... Democrat
Plemmons, James ..... Candler
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Redmon, G. R. ..... Biltmore, R. F. D. 3
Sluder, M. M. ..... Asheville, R. F. D. 4
Spillman, B. W. ..... Ridgecrest
Sexton, J. H ..... Asheville
Sorgee, Benjamin ..... Asheville
Vesey, J. W. ..... Asheville
Wainboth, M. M. ..... Asheville R. F. D. 3
Woodall, W. H. ..... Asheville
Wade, J. H. ..... Asheville, R. F. D. 5
Turner, C. K. ..... Asheville
Edwards, F. C. ..... Swannanoa
Israel, L. Y. ..... Candler

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS.

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TUESDAY, AUGUST TWELVE—FIRST DAY.

9:00 a. m.—Devotional Service, Conducted by the Moderator.
9:30 a. m.—Reading of Letters. Enrollment of Messengers.
10:15 a. m.—Organization. Election of Officers.
Introduction of Visitors. Recognition of New Pastors.
Recognition of Denominational Representatives.
11:00 a. m.—Annual Sermon. Rev. J. M. Justice, Black Mountain.
12:30 p. m.—Announcements. Recess for Dinner.

1:45 p. m.—Prayer Service.
2:00 p. m.—Associational Missions. Report of Executive Committee.
Report of the Treasurer.
Report of Woman's Work.
Report of the B. Y. P. U.
Report on Sunday Schools.
Report on State of the Churches.
General Discussion of all above reports.

3:45 p. m.—Report on Periodicals. Discussion.
Report on Temperance. Discussion.
Miscellaneous Business.
Recess until the Night Session.

8:00 p. m.—Devotional Service.
8:30 p. m.—Report in the Orphanage. Discussion.
Report on Christian Education.
Report on Laymen's Work.
Announcements. Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST THIRTEENTH—SECOND DAY.

9:00 a. m.—Devotional Service. Prayer for Missionary Work.
9:15 a. m.—Report on State Missions.
Report on Home Missions.
Report on Foreign Missions.
Missionary discussion following the above reports.

12:30 p. m.—Announcements. Recess for dinner.
1:45 p. m.—Devotional Service.
2:00 p. m.—Reports of Committees.
New Business.
Miscellaneous Business.
Final Adjournment.

NOTE—The purpose of this program is the devote the afternoon of the first day to the discussion of Associational interests. The morning of the second day is to be devoted to World-wide Missions. Other reports come in their places on the program. The committee will insist upon the program

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Thirty-Seventh Annual Session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with the Antioch Baptist Church, at Democrat, North Carolina, August 13 and 14, 1918.

The moderator, A. E. Brown, called the Association to order at 9:30 a. m. Tuesday, August 13, and conducted a brief devotional service.

Letters from the Churches were called for and read.

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

The following were enrolled as messengers from the Churches:

Asheville, First—W. F. Powell, W. H. Woodall, T. W. Chambliss, W. O. Riddick, J. C. Pritchard, J. J. Britt, G. F. Stradley, W. P. Abbey, Mrs. W. P. Abbey, A. J. Hutchins, J. T. Justice, Mrs. J. T. Justice, Mrs. C. R. Baugham, Mrs. J. F. Bramlett, Mrs. Edwin McKay, Mrs. E. A. Shaffer, Mrs. J. M. Parker, Mrs. T. W. Chambliss, Miss Laviece Chambliss, Mrs. G. F. Stradley, Miss Dulce Winborne, W. C. McConnell, Mrs. W. C. McConnell, J. M. Stoner, L. B. Harding, Mrs. W. C. Stradley, Miss Mary Baird, William Stradley, W. A. Davis, Mrs. W. A. Davis, Emery Woodall.

Asheville, Calvary—J. B. Grice, A. E. Brown, M. W. Hamrick, B. B. Jones, W. E. Howard, Mrs. W. E. Logan, Miss Annie Logan, M. R. Spivey, George W. Starnes, Sr., Geirge W. Starnes, Jr., Mrs. A E. Brown, Mrs. L. W. Walker, Mr. L. B. Shelton, Mrs. L. B. Shelton, Miss Mabel Starnes, G. G. Morgan, Miss Texie Brook-

Asheville, French Broad—Joe W. Vesey, E. J. Jones, M. C. shire, J. W. Beaty, E. J. Ingle, H. A. Brown, U. S. Meadows. Privett, G. D. Carter, C. A. Hampton, H. D. Taylor, J. D. Ledford, Mrs. C. A. Klutz, Mrs. J. L. Palmer, Mrs. Sam Hemphill, Mrs. G. D. Carter, Mrs. J. A. Groves.

Asheville, North—Benjamin Sorgee, W. D. Fraley, J. C. Owen, C. T. Morgan, H. B. Miles, Mrs. G. B. Turner, Mrs. W. A. Turner, Mrs. F. W. Thorne, Mrs. J. C. Owen.

Asheville, Riverside—W. R. Moss, J. F. Haynes, Miss Sue K. Salinas, Miss Buckner, Miss Annie Hough.

Asheville, West End—R. H. Rice, Roy Young, George Pennell, J. B. Anders, Mrs. C. E. Grove, Mrs. George Pennell, W. H. Mar- Miss Grace Morgan, Miss Gertie Calahan, Miss Annie Lou May, tindale, W. P. Crumpton, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Hamilton.

Biltmore—G. F. Wood, P. B. Spain.

Antioch—M. S. Proffitt, T. J. Carter, A. A. Burrell, C. S. Gentry, T. C. Morgan, E. B. Goldsmith, A. E. Hampton, P. M. Loven.

Avery's Creek—J. H. Arrowood, Dock Ingle, W. A. Rhodes.

Beaverdam—E. P. Stradley, Charles Carter, George Greenwood, W. B. Seaborough, W. Haynes.

Berea—J. A. Cordell, S. V. Shope, Miss Gussie Cordell, Miss Ossie Allison.

Big Ivy—A. I. Ingle, E. E. Hawkins, Z. F. Foister, Guy Whitaker, J. M. Burleson, Charles Carson, N. B. Phillips, Lee Morgan.

Black Mountain, North—No Messengers.

Black Mountain, South—T. R. Randolph, J. M. Justice, Joseph Kinsey, J. H. Denny, H. G. Allen.

Brown's Chapel—J. L. Sizeman, S. A. Bradley.

Chestnut Grove—No Messengers.

Elk Mountain—J. A. Madee, T. J. Bagwell, M. E. Jones, J. M. Howard.

Emley's Grove—No Messengers.

Fairview—B. F. DeLoatch, J. G. Grant, P. O. Merrill, Mrs. S. J. Ashworth, B. K. Miller, Miss Jessie Miller, Miss Bertha

Brevard.

Flat Creek—B. L. Harron, E. Rice, M. B. Spivey, C. D. Williams, D. E. Roberts, Miss Vinetta Williams, Miss Julia Spivey.

Gash's Creek—T. J. Ingle, Miss Edith Murphy, Miss Daphne Sale.

Hominy—L. Spurgeon Clark, M. H. Morgan, J. G. Robinson, R. H. Hutchinson, C. C. Morgan.

Inanda—E. M. Levi, W. S. Justice, Alpha Bates, Mrs. W. S. Justice, Mrs. Oxford.

Jupiter—E. A. Roberts, G. D. Edwards, W. W. Crowder, L. W. Roberts, Joe Harris.

Liberty—L. C. Holcomb, W. W. Green, A. H. Parham.

Macedonia—J. G. Rymer, James Brown, Ezra Sluder, James Redmond.

Morgan Hill—S. J. Morgan, J. B. Morgan, James N. Morgan, S. B. Morgan, J. H. Fisher, J. S. Ball, R. P. Lewellyn, W. J. Beachboard, E. J. Gentry.

Mountain View—J. A. Walker, Miss Grace Walker, Miss Nina Burnerr, B. F. Burnett.

Mt. Carmel—D. E. Ramsey, A. E. Sluder, J. L. Welch, Lawrence Beck, Don C. Young, J. S. Rymer.

New Morgan Hill—E. J. Morgan, G. M. Lance, L. R. Fox, A. C. Reeves, Mrs. A. C. Reeves, Mrs. L. R. Fox.

New Bridge—Wm. Wilson, B. L. Whitesides, M. A. Lominace, Mrs. J. R. Baird, Mrs. R. D. Buckner.

Pleasant Hill—W. L. Ballard.

Pleasant Grove—No Messengers.

Reed's Chapel—T. R. Reed, Mrs. A. A. Long, Mrs. Claude Harris.

Ridgecrest—S R. Moore, J. R. Pace.

Ridgeway—P. P. Morgan, D. L. Devlin, T. W. Young, Mrs. T. W. Young, G. D. Muse, Mrs. G. D. Muse.

Swannanoa—Roy Mann.

White Rock—Grover Israel, Mrs. Grover Israel, L. W. Peoples, T. J. Morgan.

The following Churches were not represented, either by letter or messengers:

Pleasant Grove.
Spring Mountain.
Black Mountain, North.

The hour for the election of officers having arrived, the Association elected the following:

Moderator, A. E. Brown.
Vice-Moderator, W. T. Bradley.
Clerk, T. W Chambliss
Treasurer, G. D. Carter.
Historian, J. J. Britt.

The tentative order of business as arranged by the committee appointed at the last session and as printed in the minutes was adopted.

The hour having arrived for the annual sermon, Rev. W. F. Powell, the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Asheville, appointed one year previously, was presented. Rev. Joseph W. Vesey, pastor of the French Broad Avenue Baptist Church, Asheville, read the Scripture lesson and Rev. M. S. Proffit led the Association in prayer. Dr. Powell then preached the sermon, using the theme: "Battlements About the Home."

Following the sermon the Association took a recess until 2 p. m.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session opened with a devotional exercise led by Rev. J. M. Justice. The Association was led in prayer by Rev. W. T. Bradley.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

COMMITTEES.

Periodicals—J. M. Stoner, S. J. Morgan, Jr., J. G. Rymer, A. E. Sluder, B. F. DeLoach.
Sunday Schools—J. R. Grant, Burnett Scarboro, S. G. Morgan E. J. Jones, J. C. Pritchard.
Education—W. C. McConnell, Benjamin Sorgee, W. R. Moss, A. J. Hutchins, J. J. Britt.
State Missions—W. O. Riddick, J. C. Bennett, C. A. Hampton, P. P. Morgan, W. D. Tracey, L. C. Morgan.
Home Missions—E. P. Stradley, J. C. Owens, L. C. Carter, W. Garden, M. B. Cpivey.
Foreign Missions—W. Haynes, J. B. Grice, H. G. Brookshire, A. E. Hampton, A. J. Hutchins, T. J. Ingle, J. M. Juctice.
Laymen's Movement—W. E. Howard, W. T. Powell, J. M. Morgan, Marion Morgan, B. B. Jones, W. O. Riddick, W. J. Justice.
Orphanage—T. W. Chambliss, M. S. Proffitt, J. A. Cordell, L. R. Fox, J. R. Pace.
Temperance—M. W. Hamrick, W. T. Bradley, J. C. Pritchard, S. R. Moore, J. M. Morgan.
State of The Churches—W. H. Woodall, T. J. Ingle, J. C. Bennett, N. B. Phillips, P. O. Merrill, J. G. Rymer.
Woman's Work—Miss Annie Logan, E. J. Morgan, Jos. Kensey.
B. Y. P. U.—L. B. Harding, R. H. Hutchins, Mrs. S. J. Ashworth.
Time and Place—J. T. Justice, P. P. Morgan, Mrs. R. D. Buckner, E. P. Stradley.
Apportionment—W. E. Howard, J. H. Woodard, G. F. Stradley, J. C. Bennett, C. A. Miller.
Nominations—G. E. Gartin, F. C. Morgan, S. O. Ingram, W. T. Powell, S. J. Morgan, P. O. Merrill.
Order of Business—T. W. Chambliss, J. C. Bennett, B. B. Jones.

The Association recognized the new pastors. Rev. W. F. Powell presented the new brethren to the Association as follows:

J. M. Justice, Black Mountain.
Joe W. Vesey, French Broad, Asheville.
R. W. Moss, Riverside, Asheville.
C. E. Gartin, West End, Asheville.
Chester Miller, Mountain View.

Visiting brethren were recognized and invited to seats as follows:

Rev. E. J. Jones, Old Fort.
Rev. J. M. Hilliard, Moderator Piedmont Association, High Point.
Rev. Emory Woodall, China.
Rev. J. R Owen, Mars Hill.
Brother Wong, Chinese student at Mars Hill.
L. J. Ammons, French Broad Association.
Rev. W. L. Edwards Yancey County Association.

The moderator presented to the Association, Prof. E. E. Hawkins, of the Barnardsville High School.

During the sessions of the Association, representatives of denominational interests were presented as follows:

Archibald Johnson, Charity and Children, Thomasville Orphanage, Thomasville, N.C.

Hubert M. Poteat, Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C.

Walter N. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary, Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, Raleigh, N.C.

A. E. Brown, Secretary of the Executive Committee, read the annual report of the Committee. The report was discussed by A. E. Brown, J.C.Owen, W.O.Riddick, J.C.Bennett and J.R.Morgan. The report was adopted.

The report follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your Executive Committee met immediately after adjournment of the session of the Association, and organized by electing W. O. Riddick, President; T. W. Chambliss, vice president; A. E. Brown, secretary; G. D. Carter, treasurer.

It was clearly evident at this meeting that the Executive Committee had a mind to do something, and to that end planned a Forward Movement Campaign with meetings to be held at strategic points in the county, and a Eimultaneous Evangelistic Campaign for all the churches in the county.

A. E. Brown submitted plan for the Forward Movement Campaign, which was adopted, the plan being to begin January 21st and continue through the week meeting each day at the following churches: Newfound, Hominy, Biltmore, Fairview, Black Mountain and Morgan Hill. The following subjects were discussed: The Church and Its Bible School; The Church and Its Men; The Church and Its Young People; The Church and Its Finances, Organization and Pastoral Fields; The Church and Its Women; The Church and Soul Winning; The Church and Missions. Specialists were assigned to discuss these subjects, and the program was carried out in spite of the fact that we encountered the worst weather ever known in these mountains. All of the churches where the meetings were held responded heartily, except the Morgan Hill school, which at the last minute notified the Executive Committee that they did not want the meetings held with them.

Your Executive Committee feel that the discussion of these questions, which are vital to the interests of the churches in all departments, has resulted in a forward movement all over the association.

Since the program was carried out a number of churches have asked that the teams of speakers be sent to them on special Sundays for discussions, thus indicating that the interest is deepening.

Your Executive Committee cannot commend too highly the unselfish devotion to this work of the list of speakers, all of whom were busy men and women, charged with large private and public affairs.

One of the helpful features was an arrangement by the young ladies of the First Baptist Church to serve luncheon each evening to the speakers after they returned from their various appointments for the day. Around the table were gathered the men and women who were putting their lives into this work, not shirking it on account of the extreme weather, it was therefore to be expected that the discussions at these luncheons were highly profitable and intensely spiritual.

Prof. E. L. Middleton, our State Sunday School Secretary, rendered an entire week's service. Dr. John J. Henderson of the Laymen's Movement gave us one day. Secretary W. N. Johnson one day, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw three days. The other speakers were our own men and women.

The other great movement inaugurated by the Executive Committee was to hold Evangelistic services in every church in the county as far as possible. The management of this campaign was entrusted by J. C. Owen. Dr. Owen and Brother Sorgee paved the way as well as they could for this by discussing during the Forward Moement week the subject, "The Church and Soul Winning. The following 17 churches joined the movement: French Broad Avenue, North Asheville, Riverside, Avery's Creek, Beaverdam, Biltmore, Berea, Black Mountain, Flat Creek, Gash's Creek, Jupiter, Mt. Carmel, North Fork,

Reed's Chapel, Ridgeway, Swannanoa and Union. Your Secretary has been unable to secure a report of the results. These results, however, will show in the letters from the various churches.

For the most part the pastors of our churches entered heartily into these Evangelistic services. However, some failed to co-operate. It will not be construed as favoritism if your Executive Committee mentions the name of only one of the Evangelists who came and rendered valuable services. We refer to that veteran Evangelist, Rev. E. Allison, who has no doubt baptized more people in themountains of North Carolina than any other evangelist, and we are profoundly greatefu to God that Brother Allison still retains his youthful zeal for soul-winning and vigor in presenting the Gospel message.

The work of encouraging the formation of pastoral fields has received attention from your Executive Committee, and we trust some progress has been made. One of the subjects discussed during the Forward Movement week was the Organization of Pastoral Fields, and we hope that the future will show results more markedly than are visible at present.

Rev. J. J. Gentry was appointed to organize the Sunday school work in the county and arrange for a Sunday School Convention. Brother Gentry had submitted plans for this work, but before he could carry them out he was called as Baptist pastor to the soldiers at Camp Lee, Virginia. It was too late at that time to secure a successor, and so the work has not materialized.

The greatest needs of Buncombe County Baptists are spiritual needs. All of our plans and organizations are absolutely dependable for their real success on spiritual power, spiritual preparation and spiritual projection. It should be our holy and daily custom, in public and private, during these days of world crisis and soul hunger, to call on God as we have never before in believing prayer, for without Him we can do nothing. Let us humble ourselves before God, let us seek the mercy seat, the secret place of the most high, for there and there alone can w obtain the blessing and power that will enable us to go forward in the service of our Lord.

The present hour is momentous with tremendous possibilities for good or evil to the entire human race. The world is turning a critical corner in the path of its history. All men everywhere are seized with unspeakable unrest and a heart-rending struggle for something better than we have. The world is being shaken as never bofer and material and human foundations are crumbling beneath the crushing pressure of these critical times. Amid the cruelty and carnage, the shadows and sorrows of the great world war, human hearts, though burdened with appaling penalties of the world struggle, are yet we trust beating their way frantically but hopefully upward to the higher and holier goal of immortal things which we have visioned in the message of our God.

The call of patriotism to make the world safe for democracy is not as high as the call of Christianity to make a democracy that shall be safe for the world, a spiritual democracy saved, transformed, crowned and glorified by the gospel of Jesus Christ and the salvation of the lamb slain for the sins of the whole world.

To this sublime task let the churches of this association dedicate themselves anew on the altar of our God. To this sublime task let us call and challenge our people everywhere in the sacrificial prosecution of every interest of Christ's kingdom to

which our hands are set. To this sublime task let us cheerfully yield all that we are and all that we have, our blood, our lives, our possessions, the supreme sacrifice to Him who gave Himself for us, and follow Him in self-surrender in order that we may please Him and win final victory.

The report of the Committee of State of the Churches was read and adopted.

The report follows:

STATE OF CHURCHES.

We, your Committee on State of the Churches, beg leave to report as follows:

1. Of the 37 Church in the Association 31 have reported this year the first day. The letters seem to indicate a decided deepening to the spirit of service on the part of the Churches, as well as an increase in the activities of the Churches.

There is a total gain in membership reported of 418. A gain in the number of B. Y. P. U.'s of five in the Association.

There is a decided gain in the number of Churches contributing to the various objects of the Association.

Most of the Churches have had successful evangelistic meetings during the year. These facts with the interest manifested and the results attained in the campaign for Forward Movement, put on in the county by the Executive Committee, under the Spiritual Life of the Churches.

While these facts are such as to make us rejoice and call out our gratitude to God, there is sufficient lack on the part of the leadership of Dr. A. E.Brown, tend to show a deepening of the Churches to call forth our most earnest effort and sincerest prayer to God.

The Association then took a recess until 8 p. m.

FIRST DAY—NIGHT SESSION.

Devotional exercises were led by Rev. E. J. Jones, of Old Fort.

J. B. Grice read the report of the Committee on Foreigh Missions. The report was discussed by J. B. Grice, Emory Woodall and J. M. Justice. The report was adopted.

The report was as follows:

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Foreign Missions is the work of giving the gospel to the people of nations outside our own country. Wherever there are souls to be saved, the voice of the preacher is needed. The divine command, clear and certain as the blast of an angel's trumpet, commissions us to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. What an undertaking in His day when for the most part men made their journeys over the mountains and across the plains on foot! What an undertaking in this day when obedience to the command means girdling with the golden chain of Gospel the entire globe. In accepting it the Church of Christ is pledged to carry the gospel to more than four hundred million people in China, to more than three hundred million people in India, to more than two hundred million people in Africa, and hundreds of millions outside of these countries. The task is great but with the commission we have the pledge and promise, of Christ. "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." The Apostle Paul has declared that God has made of one blood all the nations of the earth. So in the realm of the gospel every man is our brother, and humanity's cry wherever heard, whether in Africa or Asia, whether in China or India, is the cry of a brother in distress. If we could only realize this in all its fullness of meaning and immensity of application—that a brother is in peril, that a brother is dying, that a brother is struggling helplessly in the midst of the pitiless sea, and we alone can come to his rescue. This is the gos-

pel idea. This is the thought of the great commission, and Paul emphasizes it when he says, "There is no difference between the Jew and the Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him." Then Paul asks the question, "How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard, and how shall they hear without a preacher, and how shall tey preach except they be sent."

State Secretary, Walter N. Johnson, gives us the following information in his report on Foreign Missions in the Biblical Recorder of July 24, 1918: "There was received for the current fund of the Foreign Mission Work last year, $852,923.73, nearly $300,000 more than Southern Baptists ever gave to Foreign Missions before. Virginia and Texas each gave over $100,000.

The figure of achievements on the fields are 6,290 baptisms, six churches constituted, $152,874.16 contributed by native Christians, 26 churches arriving at self support, 10,271 treatments by medical missionaries.

Notwithstanding war and universal tribulations, God has set His seal upon the labors of those whom we have had the courage to maintain on the field, and this fact should prove a helpful lesson to ur people in the future conduct of this enterprise at other times when clouds overcast the way. We urge our pastors and churches to organize Mission Study Classes. Books and suggestions may be had by writing to the Foreign Mission Board. Southern Baptists are doing mission work in Africa, Argentina, Brazil, China, Italy, Japan and Mexico. This is a critical and inviting time to Foreign Missionaries. The world is in a ferment. Old ideas and institutions are being melted into liquid form. The world's heart is broken. Men and nations are yearning in their grief and doubt and pain and dearth to turn to the true God. This horrible world war is driving the whole human race out through the dark in search of the outstreached arms of a loving Father somewhere. The message of Jesus will be heard now. North Carolina Baptists gave to Foreign Missions last year $71,695.98. The Southern Baptist Convention is instructing its Foreign Mission Board to plan its work this year on a basis of $1,500,000. North Carolina's part of that is $126,000. Shall we raise it? Will this Association do its part in reaching this high mark?"

In conclusion we would suggest that all of our churches be more regular and systematic in their contributions to all benevolences, especially Foreign Missions. When all churches become as systematic in giving to Missions as some of them are in giving to the pastor's salary, then we will not have to pay so much interest on money borrowed from banks to meet the expenses of the Board. The Lord requires that we lay by in store on the first day of the week as the Lord has prospered us.

The report on Home Missions was read by E. P. Stradley. The report was discussed by J. C. Owen, J. R. Pace, A. E. Brown, and was adopted.

The report follows:

HOME MISSIONS

Your committee on Home Missions beg leave to report:

We "must work the works of Him that sent" us, "If we have not the spirit of Christ ye are none of His." Unquestionably that was the spirit of helpfulness.

First, we have our old problems: The frontiers must be evangelized. . The cities and towns must have the Gospel. The foreigners within our gates must hear of Christ and Him crucified. The negro must be helped to the word of life. And our mountain schools must be fostered as never before.

To all this within the last year has been added the supreme task of caring for our boys in the camps. To this we have already contributed Bomar and Gentry. These are the tasks of southern Baptists. Are we, by the help of God, equal to them ? Last year we raised $567,501 for Home Missions. This year $1,000,000 is required, an advance of 96 per cent.

Have we done our part in the year just closing? Will we do it in the year to come?

The report on the B. Y. P. U. was read by R. H. Hutchins and after discussion by R. H. Hutchins, J. C. Owen, J.C.Bennett and J.M.Hilliard was adopted.

The report follows:

B. Y. P. U.

Early in the fall a meeting composed of the young people of the county was held in the first Baptist church. From this meeting a campaign was started with the result that visits were made at Fairview, Hominy, Newfound and Black Mountain. Figuring from the report of last year there has been an increase of seven new B. Y. P. U.s in the county.

We can not urge too strongly the greatness of this branch of our church work. For as Mars Hill and Wake Forest are a training camp to the community, so is a B. Y. P. U. to the church.

You need have no worry for the church tomorrow if it has a wide-awake B. Y. P. U. today. It makes the right kind of Baptist and teaches him why he is one. It also teaches him to speak for the Master and have more confidence in God's love and care.

The Association adjourned to meet Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The moderator called the Association to order for the second day's session at 9 a. m. Rev. J. M. Justice conducted the devotional service.

Archibald Johnson, editor of Charity and Children, was recognized and introduced.

Walter N. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary Board of Missions and Sunday Schools, was recognized.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by Prof. A. J. Hutchins. The report was discussed by S.R.Moore, A.E.Brown and J.M.Justice, and was adopted.

The report follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Our Savior's last command was: "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.

Perhaps the greatest weakness in our churches today is this

School. The figures show that only one-fifth of the enrollment in the Sunday Schools of Buncombe County association are church members, which means four-fifths are unsaved and still only 71 out of nearly 4,000 unsaved were reached the past year or entered the church by baptism. Considering one-half of these have not yet reached maturity it is evident that we are allowing a large majority to slip through our Sunday schools unsaved. Any Sunday School is a failure which does not have for its prime motive the salvation of all who attend. Without depreciating the faithful efforts on the part of all who have run our Sunday schools or the seed that have been sown, we are forced to acknowledge with shame-facedness we are missing the one great aim of the Sunday school. It should be the soul-saving, life-saving force and the teachers the saving crew.

We recommend first that greater stress be laid upon the at-

tendance of church members at our Sunday schools. Parents should take their children instead of sending them. Second, that we select teachers not from the standpoint of culture and education alone, but teachers who love God and have a passion for souls.

We need not only trained teachers but spirit-filled teachers with burning hearts to tell of Jesus and his wonderful power to save.

Let us put more stress on getting teachers on fire for God.

The report on Periodicals was read by J. M. Stoner and was discussed by Archibald Johnson, W.T.Bradley and J.M.Stoner. The report was adopted.

The report follows:

PERIODICALS

We, your committee on Periodicals, do recommend most heartily "The Biblical Recorder," our dear old church organ now in the its 84th year of usefulness. We can only imagine its real worth to the Baptists of North Carolina when we consider what would have been the condition of our church work without it. Then to appreciate the Biblical Recorder as we should let us remember how it has stood by, fostered and fought for every denominational enterprise in the State; and its influence in the home for good cannot be measured. We would therefore urge our pastors and individual members of all our churches through some means to try to place a copy of Biblical Recorder in every Baptist home in our association that its usefulness may be extended and of all times in which the Recorder has ever needed loyal support from every Baptist in the State it is right now. We would also recommend to our churches and Sunday Schools that they subscribe liberally for Charity and Children, Home and Foreign Field and all of our Sunday School Board's publications.

Sow down the field thick with these most valuable helps.

The report on the Orphanage was written by M. L. Braun, now en route to China, where he will serve as a missionary of the Foreign Mission Board. The report was read by the Clerk. The report was discussed by Achibald Johnson, W.O.Riddick, J.M.Stoner, Jos. W. Vesey, J.M.Justice, T.W.Chambliss and was adopted.

The report follows:

THE ORPHANAGE

Our Orphanage has had an unusually prosperous year. God's special blessing was felt in many ways. Throughout the year 498 boys and girls found all the comforts of a well-kept home, the blessing of Christian education, and the training to faithfulness in industry at the place we have provided for our orphan children for the last 33 years. This year our Buncombe Association furnished at least 28 of these children—18 from Asheville, and ten from the country districts. Unless this year we have made a marked increase over last year's contribution we shall fall far short of paying the actual expense of the children we ourselves have down at the orphanage at the present time.

The actual maintenance in this time of high prices has been held down to the remarkably low figure of $12.12 per month per child. We cannot help but wonder whether the four boys who ran away this year could fare as well outside the home, even if they had the $12.12 that they were costing the orphange. Contributions this year to the current fund exceeded those of any previous year; amounting to $83,058.89. This brought the total receipts for the year ending June 15th to $132,034.64. The orphanage assets at this date were, including $870.63 in gifts of

liberty bonds and war savings stamps, $417,576.08. Against this were liabilities amounting to $2,174.01; two thousand against 417 thousand. The plant is valued at $248,731.81, while the endowment now amounts to $109,933.19. It is interesting to note that instead of being an expense to the orphanage as it used to be, "Charity and Children" has this year turned over a profit of more than six thousand dollars to the maintenace of the orphanage.

God's blessing was felt in still another way. For a year there was not a single case of typhoid or scarlet fevers. Even grippe was conspicious by its total absence throughout the entire year. However, one out of four of the children can now say for the first time that he has had measles. The health of the children is remarkably good. The spiritual health, however, Brother Kessler says, is not all that we could wish. May we not pray often that the hearts of these 500 children shall be entirely opened to the Christ?

Sadly we mention the recent death of Mrs. M. P. Huette who faithfully gave her service as a matron for fourteen years.

Among the supply teachers and matrons we have Misses Miriam and Naomi Schell from our own Association.

Your committee continues to recommend the offering to the orphanage of one day's labor per year as an expression of Thanksgiving. Shis plan faithfully carried out would sustain our orphanage. As a better plan than the making of bequests the annuity plan of giving is suggested. No debt hangs over the orphanage, and we must not allow one to arise. Brother Kessler is God's man in God's work. Jesus was very tender with the children. We often sing, "Bring Them In," and surely after they are brought into a comfortable home from out in the fields of sin we will not forget nor forsake these little ones. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the . . . ye have done it unto Me."

The report on State Missions was read by W. O. Riddick. The report was discussed by W. O. Riddick, J. C. Bennett, Walter N. Johnson. The report was adopted.

The report follows:

STATE MISSIONS

All Missions is one work. There is one Lord commanding us to do it. There is one appeal calling to us for it—a lost world. There is one motive behind it all—the love of God.

But for convenience we divide it into three departments of administration: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions.

State Missions is the task of permeating and transforming the life of the people of North Carolina with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

This work is administered by the Board of Missions, Raleigh, North Carolina.

We are seeking to raise for this work this year $50,000. Last year we gave $45,273. The following is a tabulation of the work for this year on the mission field: Churches served 283; number missionaries 161; conversions 2,851, baptisms 1,765, received by letter 2,215, average Sunday School attendance 17,264, Mission Study Classes 77, Men in Mission Study Classes, 256, houses of worship building 37, houses of worship built 11, churches organized 14, number delegates attending denominational meetings 1,208, number business meetings this year 1,720, pastoral conferences 133, every member canvasses 178, sermons 11,028, for mission undesignated $2,322.29, for State Missions $5,812.28, for Foreign Missions $2,929.77, for Home Mis-

sions $2.542.28, for Education $1,190.94, for Sunday School Missions $876.24, for Ministers' Relief $613.82, for Orphanage $5,995.79, other objects $19,043.42, amount raised for all church expenses except pastors' salary $31,477.80. Amount paid on pastors' salary $41,828.97.

The first need when evangelization successfully starts in a community, is church building. Our Board of Missions gives a little help to young churches and to strategic points in erecting buildings. We have only $7,500 a year to put into this work.

Along with these regular departments of our work, much has been done in the enlistment of our people by pastors who have volunteered to help one another in getting their people lined up in God's work. No statistics of this work can be tabulated, but the results are seen in our growing contributions to all the objects of the Convention.

Last spring was a blessing to us. We went forward in Home and Foreign Missions $25,000 and got a running start that practically put State Missions through the summer months without borrowing money, but the funds are running low now. State Missions is not yet out of the woods for the year. Let churches which have not sent in their full State Mission contribution do so just as early as possible. It is needed.

Next year is the third year of the One-Mission Drive.. It will succeed then if we have no State Mission debt on us at the Convention in Greensboro in December. If we keep State Missions rising on a par with the advancement that Southern Baptists have ordered in Foreign and Mome Missions, we shall have to put on a drive next time for $288,500. We must not fall below $200,000.

But let every one do his best for State Missions this fall.

J. N. Morgan offered a resolution, concerning The Biblical Recorder. The resolution was adopted without debate. The resolution follows:

BIBLICAL RECORDER

Resolved: (1) That the Buncombe County Association join heartily with our Board of Missions in the effort to add 12,000 new subscribers to the list of the Biblical Recorder, and that we undertake to secure 250 of these subscribers in this Association; that we apportion to each church of the Association one new subscriber to every 20 of its membership; and that we send statement of its apportionment to each church directly from this Association with the request that the church pass on this matter at its first conference after the Association and that the new subscribers be secured and forwarded at once to the Board of Missions.

(2) That in order to reach some of the people in our churches who do not take the Recorder, and as an aid to our churches in keeping the Recorder and other phases of our work before their members, we recommend that the churches of this Association take a club of the Monthly Bulletin printed by the Board of Missions, each copy enclosing also a great Tract ,at the rate of $1.00 per dozen per year.

(3) That this Association co-operate with the Board of Missions in the location and operation of one of the simultaneous and uniform Schools of Pastors and Workers to be held each year within the boundaries of this Association.

The report on Education was read by Rev. W. F. Powell. The report was discussed by Benjamin Sergee, W.F.Powell and Hubert N. Poteat, and was adopted.

The report follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION

Your Committee is profoundly convinced that the Baptist who would discourage genuine and thorough education grossly misrepresents the nature of Christianity; sins against his own greatest need, and brings shame upon Him who said: "I am the Light of the world." Our young people must be educated because Christianity embodies education, Christian sympathies are deepened by education and Christianity's usefulness is extended by education. As Baptists, our preparation must be in proportion to our program for the Gospel's message and ministry to all the world.

Like charity, education must begin at home. Let us recognize the educational opportunities afforded by our public school system in Buncombe County. We would urge the Christian responsibility upon all Baptists in the Buncombe Association to take an active interest in the welfare of these schools. Let Baptists lead in every community in behalf of the public school, its teachers and its pupils.

Our Baptist high schools and collegiate institutes merit our patronage and our generous support. Wake Forest College for young men and Meredith College for young women deserve our loyal adherence and we believe that we should do more for them in our patronage and in our prayers.

Your committee begs the heartiest endorsement of the Association for the campaign now being conducted to raise a million dollars for the endowment and the equipment of our Baptist schools in North Carolina.

The crying need of the world today is for Christian education. Let us meet that need.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises were led by John Stoner.

The moderator announced the appointments for the coming year. The first named is to write the report and the second is to speak to the report:

Periodicals—N. B. Phillips, C. E. Gartin.
Education—J. C. Bennett, J. J. Britt.
Sunday Schools—E. E. Hawkins, C. K. Turner.
State Missions—E. P. Stradley, J. B. Grice.
Home Missions—B. F. DeLoach, W. F. Powell.
Foreign Missions—George Pennell, J. M. Justice.
Laymen's Movement—G. D. Carter, J. C. Pritchard.
Orphanage—W. E. Howard, W. O. Riddick.
Temperance—P. O. Merrill, J. W. Vesey.
State of The Churches—T. W. Chambliss, A. E. Brown.
Woman's Work—Mrs. C. A. Klutz, S. T. Hensley.
B. Y. P. U.—Allan Riddick, A. J. Hutchison.

The Committee on Time, Place and Preacher reported. The report was adopted.

"You committee recommends New Bridge Church as the meeting place for the Association in 1919. The Time to be Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in August. The preacher of the annual sermon to be Rev. J. M. Justice.

The following committee was appointed on Resolutions: E. E. Hawkins, J. M. Justice, W. H. Woodall.

The report of Laymen's Movement was ready by Rev. W. F. Powell. The report was discussed by Rev. W. F. Powell, E. E. Hawkins, W. N. Johnson, W. H. Hipps, W. H. Woodall, A. E. Borwn, Benjamin Sorgee and was adopted.

The report follows:

LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT

The call of the age is for men. The immediate concern of the Laymen's Movement is the qualification and concrecration of men. Its work is educational and inspirational.

Dr. J. T. Hederson is the General Secretary for the Southern Baptist Convention. The headquarters of the organization have been established in Knoxville, Tennessee. The Executive Committee is composed of representative Baptist laymen. The great work of Dr. J. T. Henderson has been abundantly blessed of God in improving methods of church finance, stimulating the grace of giving among men and in the development of strong men for splendid and aggressive leadership in local churches. But the task of enlisting and eveloping our men has only been undertaken—not one-tenth of our men have been mastered by the Master nor consecrated to the work He sent His church to do.

Your committee would respectfully call your prayerful attention to the work being done in the Buncombe Association by some of our laymen under the leadership of Brother W. O. Riddick, chairman of our Executive Committee, in carrying out the purposes of our Laymen's Movement. Grateful mention should be made of Layman C. M. Dill of Calvary Church, Asheville—now resting from his labors in the presence of the King. To his memory we would covet some space in the Minutes of this body.

Let us pledge our hearts to the enlistment of all the men represented in this Association in heartiest co-operation that the love of the Man who died for men may win all men everywhere.

The report on Woman's Work, presented by Miss Annie Logan, was read by the Clerk. After discussion by Benjamin Sorgee, J. W. Vesey, J. B. Grice and T. W. Chambliss, the report was adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

The work of the Woman's Missionary Union, for the past year, has been very encouraging in many respects. At our Annual Meeting, July 11, at Fairview there were 110 delegates present representing 19 societies. . Contributions for the year ending July 1st, 1918, were as follows:

Foreign Missions	$ 863.70
Home Missions	1,374.94
State Missions	479.51
Louisville Training School	438.35
Church Building Loan Fund	247.49
Total to Missions	$3,408.99
State Expense Fund	$ 25.70
Associational Progress Fund	28.75
Personal Service	2,749.81
Other Objects	451.30
Total	$3,255.56
GRAND TOTAL	$6,664.55

The total increase for the year being . . . . . $ 842.09

Seven new societies have been organized during the year. We now have 17 W. M. S., 4 Y. W. A.'s, 3 Girls' Auxiliaries, 4 Royal Ambassador Chapters, and 8 Sunbeam bands; a total of 36 organizations with a membership of 832.

We have subscribed to mission magazines as follows:

Royal service	124
Home and Foreign Field	117
Biblical Recorder	105
Total	346

In March the State W. M. U. was entertained by the women of our Association. It was a splendid meeting and was a great help to the women in the western part of the state, results have already been seen.

Our chief object for the year is the Church Building Loan Fund. The women of three churches are establishing memorials of $500 each, the Asheville First Church for Mrs. Mary J. Alexander, French Broad Avenue for Mrs. Etta H. Smith and Calvary in the name of the Woman's Missionary Society. Beaverdam has taken a $100 bond. Other churches have made pledges, and we are expecting our women to do their part in raising the woman's pledge of $325,000 for homeless churches.

We wish to thank the members of the Executive Committee of the Buncombe Association for extending to our women the privilege of having a part in the Progressive Movement among the churches of the association. Two new societies have been organized as the result of these meetings, and others have been strengthened.

While we feel encouraged over the work for the past year, we realize that we could accomplish far more if we had a missionary society in every church in the association, and had more women enlisted in the churches where we already have missionary organizations, therefore we recommend:

1. That the pastors of this association inform [illegible] be reported, immediately after organization, to the Superintendent, Miss Annie Logan.
2. That the pastors encourage the women now engaged in missionary work and seek to enlist those not interested.
3. That in churches where there are no Woman's missionary societies the pastor shall show the women the importance of organized work, and shall either assist them in organizing or notify the woman's executive committee in Asheville so they may give assistance.
4. That in **every** church the work of the young women, the Royal Ambassadors and Sunbeams be encouraged that they may be trained for future service.
5. That the women of every church in the association be urged to attend the Woman's Associational Meeting at Newbridge the second week of July 1919.
6. That every missionary organization of whatever grade about woman's work both in our association and as a whole.

The report on Temperance was read by the Clerk. The report was discussed by W. T. Bradley and was adopted.

The report follows:

TEMPERANCE

The Baptist Denomination of City, County, State and domains of the Southern Baptist Convention, as they have always done, still stand for and in fact take the lead in advocating TEMPERANCE and for the ultimate banishment of all kinds of intoxicants from our entire country.

Wonderful progress is being made in all the states and in the Nation in enacting and putting into effect prohibition laws which have already and will continue to result in untold good to our people and to our country at large.

Bringing the effects of the banishment of whiskey from our state to our doors we have information from our city authorities that drunkenness and crime have decreased from 60 to 70 per cent. We have information from our County authorities that in the County that not one-tenth of the whisky is being consumed and that crime in the courts resulting from liquor has

decreased 65 per cent.

As a further result all classes of merchants are doing more business than ever before and are prospering because of the larger amount of food and clothing that is being sold to those who formerly wasted their money for drink. More merchants are prosperous because of the payment of accounts, women and children are being better fed and clothed and have more of the necessities and conveniences that ever before because they are now getting the earnings of their husbands and fathers.

We recommend that each voter of our county closely scrutentize the attitude of each candidate, whether he be Democrat or Republican and to vote for no one who is in favor of the whisky business.

Resolved that we, the Buncombe County Association, assembled do petition the Congress and Senate of the United States that they pass the "Bone Dry" prohibition bill, which will be considered immediately after the 26th of this month.

The Association ordered the printing in the minutes of the tentative order of business to be arranged by the committee.

The request of State Sunday School Secretary Middleton for rural Sunday School Institutes was discussed and Rev. Benjamin Sorgee was appointed to have charge of the work the coming year.

The advisability of a large chart on which to show the reports from the Churches was referred to a committee consisting of J. B. Grice, T. W. Chambliss and C. K. Turner. The committee will report next year.

The committee on Apportionment reported. The report was adopted. (See Apportionment Table.)

The committee on Nominations reported and the report was adopted.

The report follows:

Your committee on Nominations reports:

Rev. Joseph W. Vesey, as messenger from this Association to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Rev. C. E. Gartin as messenger from this Association to the State Convention.

Executive committee, in addition to the officers and the Ordained Ministers, the following: W. O. Riddick, J. T. Justice, E. P. Stradley.

The committee on Resolutions offered its report. The report was adopted and follows:

RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLVED, That this, the Buncombe County Baptist Association tender to the good people of Antioch Church, Democrat, and vicinity its gratitude for the hearty, sympathetic and cooperative way in which they have received the Association, which the delegates have received in their home homes.

The Treasurer offered the following report:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received on pledges for Associational debt	$ 50.00
Paid out for autos in Forward Movement work	6.00
Balance on hand	44.00
Receipts during this session:	
For Minute Fund	$ 66.45
For other objejcts	295.00
Total	$361.65

The Clerk reported as follows:

CLERK'S REPORT.

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Cost of printing minutes, postage, etc. $58.12

Clerk's fee	10.00
Postage, sending out letters	2.80
Total	$70.92
Received from G. D. Carter, Treasurer	61.77
Balance due the Clerk	$ 9.15

Additional pledges were taken for the Minute Fund, it being generally understood that insufficient funds were reported in the letters read.

A. E. Brown called the attention of the Association to expenses incurred in the evangelistic campaign and a collection was taken to meet the amount due.

M. L. Braun, appointed as the Assaciational Historian, being absent, A. E. Brown prepared a report, which was ordered printed.

The report follows:

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

The year just closed will be remembered as the year of the entrance of our country into the greatest war in all history. At every gathering of our churches and Sunday schools and B. Y. P. U.'s there are vacant seats, reminding us of the boys who have gone out at the call of their country to fight the battle for liberty and righteousness. Perhaps there is not a messenger at this association who does not have a son or brother or husband now in the service of our country in its titanic struggle against the inhuman cruelty of Germany.

In addition to the thousands of young men who have gone from the territory of the association into the army, our people have also been called upon for millions of dollars to support the war. Our Baptist people have shown their loyalty to the fight for personal liberty in meeting these calls for both men and money.

Just what effect these war conditions are having upon the spiritual life of our churches we leave to those who are familiar with the local situations.

The year has also been characterized by two association-wide movements, one known as the Forward Movement Campaign, which was carried on during the third week in January. Six churches were selected as places for holding these meetings. Much advertising was done. Lists of speakers, carefully selected, were made, and notwithstanding the extremely unfavorable weather the plans were carried out at all of the churches except Morgan Hill, which we had selected as the meeting place for the churches of the northeastern part of the county. Because of the failure of Morgan Hill to respond, the northern part of our county has been untouched by this campaign.

The other association-wide movement was simultaneous revival meetings held in seventeen of our churches. This is the first effort of the kind we have ever undertaken. Consecrated men of God preached the Word faithfully from one to two weeks, and great spiritual blessings were poured out upon our people.

Another item of interest was the holding of a School of Methods for pastors and Christian workers in the City of Asheville during the month of February. This was under the auspices of the State Mission Board. The meeting, while well attended by pastors from outside our association, was not fully appreciated by the ministers and workers in our own association. It is the purpose of Corresponding Secretary Johnson to repeat this School of Methods next year, and it is to be hoped that the pastors of our churches will see to it that the next session of this school is liberally patronized.

The past year, it seems to the writer, has been one of unusually large number of changes in pastorates.

Rev. John Bomar, who was pastor of the French Broad Avenue church for some years, resigned to accept the pastorate of the First Church, of Charleston, S. C. This church has called Rev. Joe W. Vesey from Jacksonville, Florida. Brother Vesey has accepted and entered upon his work. Rev. J. J. Gentry, at Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. This church called Rev. J. B. Grice, for years pastor at West End Church. The West End pastor of the Calvary Church, resigned to become Baptist pastor Church called as the successor of Brother Grice Rev. C. E. Garten, of West Virginia. Rev. W. T. Bradley resigned the Beaverdam church, of which he had been pastor for a number of years. This church joined with Newbridge in forming a field and have called Rev. S. T. Hensley from the Marshall church. Rev. B. F. DeLoatch resigned the church at Black Mountain and accepted the call to our church at Fairview. The Black Mountain church has secured Rev. J. M. Justice, a former missionary to Argentina, as pastor. Rev. W. H. Woodall resigned the Riverside church. Brother Woodall is now pastor of our at Riverside church. Rev. Mr. Moss has been called to succeed Inanda Church. Rev. Mr. Moss has been called to succeed him him at Riverside church. The Biltmore church has secured Rev. C. K. Turner as pastor. The Swannanoa field, composed of Berea and Swannanoa churches, has called Rev. F. C. Edwards as pastor. The White Rock church has entered the Hominy field and now has for pastor Rev. J. C. Bennett. Brother M. L. Braun, formerly pastor at Newbridge, has been accepted by our Foreign Board as missionary to China and is now on his way across. Rev. S. J. Morgan, Jr., has succeeded Dr. W. C. Cleveland as pastor at Gash's Creek.

During the year Rev. C. K. Turner was ordained to the work of the ministry by the First Baptist church, and Rev. E. J. Jones by the French Broad Avenue church.

The Clerk asked for information concerning the value of Church Property not reported in the minutes. The response shows the following: Mountain View, $600; Big Ivey (lot), $100; Jupiter, $1,200. Seven Churches report Parsonages and three Churches report Mission Chapels. With the exception of Black Mountain, South, the value of Parsonage Property was included in the letters. The Black Mountain Parsonage is valued at $1,200.

On motion the Clerk was instructed to have 700 copies of the Minutes printed, to reserve 100 copies for Associational work and to distribute the remainder among the Churches in proportion to amount sent up for Minute Fund.

The Clerk was ordered paid the usual fee of $10 for his services.

The Association having concluded its business, the moderator announced the hour of adjournment. After a song of praise, the Asso- was led in prayer by W. T. Bradley and adjourned to meet with New Bridge Baptist Church, near Asheville, Tuesday, August 12, 1919.

A. E. BROWN, MODERATOR.

T. W. CHAMBLISS, CLERK.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.—Name.

This Association shall be known as Buncombe County Baptist Association.
The objects of this Association shall be:

Article II—Objects.

1. To elicit, combine and direct the energies of the Baptist of Buncombe County in one sacred effort to encourage and promote the propagation of the Gospel within our bounds.
2. To foster and promote, under the auspices of the Baptist State Convention, the cause of State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian, Education, Orphanage. Sunday School and Colportage, Old Ministers' Relief and Temperance.
3. This Association disclaims to exercise lordship over the churches or to have any power which entitles it to infringe upon the internal rights of any of the churches composing it.

ARTICLE III.—Constituency.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent by each Baptist Church in Buncombe County who shall be duly recommended by letter from the Church to which they belong, provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is so situated as to make it more convenient from natural causes to belong to this body shall be entitled to membership and representation in this Associaton.

Section 2. Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members exceeding twenty-five.

Section 3. Name of no delegates shall appear in the Minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

Article IV Officers.

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian.

Section 2. All the officers shall be elected annually and immediately after the reading of the church letters and the enrollment of the delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the other officers in any way the Association may direct.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at all meetings of the body, and keep order in accordance with Mell's Manual of Parliamentary practice.

It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to preside in the absence of the Moderator.

It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of this body in a business-like manner, to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes of the Association, and to turn them over to his successor.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds belonging to the Association, and to pay them out to the objects for which they were collected.

It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep a record of such items as would be of interest to a future Historian, to preserve the same in a book. He shall also keep a file of the Minutes.

Article V.—Committees.

At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees, whose duty it shall be to report at the next annual meeting: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State of the Churches, Orphanage, Sunday Schools, Temperance, Woman's Work, Order of Business, Time and Place and Annual Sermon for the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

Article VI—Executive Board.

The Association shall at each annual meeting appoint an Executive Board to consist of the officers of the Association and three judicious and active brethern; three of whom shall constitute a quorum. All pastors shall be associate members of the Board.

The Executive Board shall superintend the mission work in the county, and carry out the resolutions and orders of the Association during its recess.

Article VII.—Church Letters.

The letters from the churches shall give the following information: name of church and date of organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting: name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in its membership and their postoffices; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded, number of deaths during the year; time of meeting; amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Orphanage, Sunday School, and for any other objects.

Report of Sunday School will show the name of the Superintendent and Secretary with their postoffices, number enrolled, average attendance during the year, amount paid for the support of the Sunday School and for benevolent objects.

Article VIII.

The body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

Article IX.

This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

Article X.

Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

Article XI.

This Association may carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving correspondending messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethan as it may deem proper.

Article XII.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

The Rogers Press Asheville, N. C.

REPORT OF APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE, J. C. BENNETT, CHAIRMAN.

CHURCHES	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	S.S. Missions	Ministerial Education	Ministerial Relief	TOTAL
Asheville, First	$1250.00	$1250.00	$1500.00	$1600.00	$ 30.00	$ 175.00	$ 30.00	$ 5835.00
Asheville, French Broad	150.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	6.00	12.00	12.00	1080.00
Asheville, West End	150.00	75.00	50.00	150.00	3.00	25.00	12.00	465.00
Asheville, Calvary	150.00	250.00	150.00	175.00	6.00	12.00	12.00	755.00
Asheville, North	100.00	75.00	100.00	100.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	384.00
Avery's Creek	10.00	10.00	6.00	25.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	54.00
Antioch	15.00	20.00	20.00	50.00	1.00	5.00	3.00	114.00
Berea	5.00	2.50	5.00	15.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	30.50
Big Ivy	15.00	15.00	25.00	60.00	5.00	3.00	3.00	126.00
Biltmore	50.00	50.00	50.00	175.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	334.00
Black Mountain, South	25.00	50.00	25.00	100.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	209.00
Black Mountain, North	2.50	5.00	5.00	15.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	30.50
Brown's Chapel	2.50	5.00	5.00	15.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	30.50
Beaverdam	50.00	100.00	125.00	150.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	438.00
Chestnut Grove	3.00	5.00	5.00	20.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	36.00
Elk Mountain	5.00	10.00	7.50	20.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	45.50
Fairview	75.00	100.00	75.00	150.00	6.00	15.00	10.00	431.00
Flat Creek	20.00	25.00	20.00	50.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	119.00
Gash's Creek	25.00	20.00	25.00	50.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	124.00
Hominy	15.00	15.00	15.00	50.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	100.00
Inanda	2.50	5.00	5.00	20.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	36.50
Jupiter	5.00	10.00	10.00	40.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	71.00
Liberty	5.00	20.00	10.00	30.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	68.00
Mt. Carmel	20.00	25.00	25.00	75.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	150.00
Macedonia	5.00	7.50	5.00	50.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	70.50
Morgan Hill	5.00	10.00	10.00	25.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	53.00
New Bridge	10.00	50.00	50.00	25.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	138.00
New Morgan Hill	10.00	10.00	10.00	25.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	58.00
Pleasant Grove	5.00	5.00	2.50	20.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	35.50
Reed's Chapel	2.50	5.00	2.00	15.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	32.50
Ridgecrest	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	203.00
Ridgeway	10.00	10.00	10.00	60.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	94.00
Riverside	10.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	88.00
Spring Mountain	5.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	33.00
Swannanoa	2.50	25.00	5.00	15.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	50.50
White Rock	10.00	15.00	10.00	25.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	63.00
Mountain View	5.00	10.00	10.00	15.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	43.00
Emley's Grove	2.00	2.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	27.00
TOTAL	$2262.00	$2672.00	$2768.00	$3820.00	$ 100.00	$ 291.00	$ 125.00	$12238.00

TABLE I—STATISTICAL

CHURCH	PASTOR	POSTOFFICE	CLERK	POSTOFFICE	Time of Preaching	
Asheville, First	W. F. Powell	Asheville	W. E. Reid	Asheville	Every	$
Asheville, Calvary	J. B. Grice	West Asheville	J. W. Baity	West Asheville	Every	
Asheville, Fr. Broad	J. W. Yesey	Asheville	J. A. Groves	Asheville	Every	
Asheville, North	Benjamin Sorgee	Asheville	W W. Turner	Asheville	Every	
Asheville, Riverside	W. R Moss	Asheville, R 4	Miss Alice B. Hough	Asheville	Every	
Asheville, West End	C. E. Garten	Asheville	J. B. Anders	Asheville	Every	
Asheville, Biltmore	C. K. Turner	Biltmore	R. J. Shinn	Biltmore	Every	
Antioch	N. B Phillips	Barnardsville	C. S. Gentry	Democrat	1&3	
Avery's Creek	Chas. F. Owen	Waynesville	S. O. Ingram	Arden	4	
Beaver Dam	None		E. P. Stradley	Asheville, R 1		
Berea	None		J. A. Cordell	Swannanoa, R 1	2	
Big Ivy	N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	Gay Whitaker	Barnardsville	2&4	
Black Mountain, South	J. M. Justice	Black Mountain	Jos. Kinsey	Black Mountain	1, 2&4	
Black Mountain, North	None					
Brown's Chapel *	None		S. A. Bradley	Beach	1st	
Chestnut Grove	N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	Roy Burleson	Dillingham	2&4	
Elk Mountain	J. A. Bradley	Marshall	J M. Howard	Asheville, R 5	2&4	
Emley Grove	S. J. Huntley	Fletchers, R 2	W. D. Galyean	Fletchers, R 2	2	
Fairview	B. F. DeLoatch	Fairview	P. O. Merrill	Fairview	Every	
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradley	Stocksville	M. B. Spivey	Stocksville	1	
Gash's Creek	S. J. Morgan, Jr.	Biltmore	W. L. Hart	Biltmore	2&4	
Hominy	J. C. Bennett	Candler	Levi S. Clark	Candler	1&3	
Inanda	W H. Woodall	Asheville	T. H. Byers	Candler	2&4	
Jupiter	H. O. Miller	Mars Hill	L. L. Roberts	Weaverville, R 1	4	
Liberty	J. C. Bennett	Candler	L. W Young	Candler	3	
Macedonia	L. C. Roberts	Marshall	Hugh Rymer	Alexander	2	
Morgan Hill	N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	W. J. Breachboard	Stocksville	1&3	
Mountain View	Chester Brown	Black Mountain	J. L. Burnett	Black Mountain	1&3	
Mt. Carmel	None		Don C. Young	Asheville, R 4		
New Morgan Hill	J. C. Bennett	Candler	S. L. Morgan	Candler	3	
New Bridge	S. T. Hensley	Asheville, R 5	M. A. Lominac	Asheville, R 5	Every	
Pleasant Grove*						
Pleasant Hill	W. J. Kuykendall	Asheville	W. J. Ballard	Asheville, R 5	4	
Reed's Creek	W C. Cleveland	Arden	A. T. Davidson	Biltmore	1&3	
Ridgecrest	J. M. Justice	Black Mountain	S B. Moore	Ridgecrest	1&3	
Ridgeway	J. C. Bennett	Candler	J. V. Morgan	Candler	1&2	
Swannanoa	F. C. Edwards	Swannanoa	L. B. Buchanan	Swannanoa	2&4	
White Rock	J. C. Bennett	Candler	Collier Morgan	Candler	4	
Spring Mountain*						
TOTALS						$

NOTE—No report for 1917 or 1918 from Black Mountain, North, and Pleasant Grove.
Meeting houses at Big Ivy and Emley's Grove destroyed by fire.
*—No letter 1918, figures for 1917.
**—Figures not given.

TABLE II—FINANCIAL

Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Christian Education	Ministers' Relief	Other Objects	TOTAL
301.62	$ 793.95	$2,225.60	$ 15.00	$ 435.00	$ 661.42	$1,024.68	$ 969.29	$ 249.45	$1,020.84	$ 338.89	.....	$1,311.81	$18.259.39
505.29	131.03	10.00	5.00	15.00	34.70	250.00	150.00	.....	100.00	34.35	10.00	1,330.49	3,670.86
424.25	150.95	16.89	6.00	5.00	119.05	239.94	258.00	122.08	196.82	10.00	10.00	359.14	7.302.14
129.90	116.52	17.70	3.00	.....	62.68	52.83	58.47	2.50	63.69	33.54	25.16	331.64	1.380.84
13.20	31.67	25.25	1.00	.....	1.00	14.00	25.54	.....	11.66	.....	.....	116.65	309.33
225.34	103.34	39.85	3.00	5.00	85.00	48.23	37.90	.....	90.53	.....	2.00	380.75	2,247.61
123.90	22.59	7.00	.....	.....	101.00	15.00	14.00	42.30	106.69	13.00	.....	167.00	1,405.98
.....	.....	.....	3.50	.....	.....	16.00	14.60	.....	27.84	.....	.....	.....	530.32
28.50	.....	5.00	2.25	.....	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	.....	289.75
36.75	49.99	4.50	3.00	.....	43.79	94.04	105.14	2.50	113.65	5.00	5.00	.....	582.81
72.00	11.80	.....	1.00	2.50	10.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	36.00	1.00	1.00	.....	246.30
15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.00	25.00	50.00	.....	50.00	.....	.....	.....	790.00
54.52	38.87	.....	2.55	.....	17.12	44.40	15.75	.....	45.76	4.00	1.00	17.00	807.70
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8.00	21.00	10.00	.75	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	1.75	.....	.....	.....	112.50
.....	25.00	10.00	2.00	.....	5.00	3.00	2.50	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	262.50
112.43	44.54	28.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	440.45
.....	11.00	.....	.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	136.62
85.00	40.00	30.00	2.50	.....	56.00	69.00	64.00	4.00	50.00	100.00	.....	278.66	1,718.66
39.25	10.03	48.42	2.00	.....	11.05	16.50	17.64	1.60	30.00	1.00	1.00	8.27	293.41
6.00	16.00	8.00	1.00	.....	14.70	14.70	14.70	.....	40.00	.....	.....	.....	399.10
28.70	27.68	.....	2.25	.....	8.10	5.50	11.00	5.56	38.24	.....	.....	67.80	484.83
.....	6.00	.....	.....	1.00	1.00	5.00	5.00	.....	15.00	.....	.....	5.00	297.00
.....	8.00	25.00	2.00	.....	5.00	10.00	10.00	1.00	36.26	5.00	2.00	.....	254.26
16.50	11.50	.....	1.00	.....	5.00	20.12	5.00	1.00	23.01	1.00	.....	.....	228.14
.....	8.00	11.00	1.60	.....	5.00	5.86	3.00	.....	35.00	.....	.....	9.00	178.06
.....	12.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	7.00	331.00
.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	10.00	5.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	125.00
.....	48.76	.....	3.00	.....	15.00	20.00	20.00	4.06	65.00	.....	10.15	16.19	312.16
1.63	20.00	8.00	1.00	.....	7.47	9.40	9.30	.....	8.25	.....	.....	3.00	115.05
8.44	30.00	2.47	3.00	.....	47.95	.....	30.00	.....	11.00	.....	.....	223.80	2,709.99
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	267.00
35.40	16.00	9.15	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.00	.....	.....	.....	353.76
.....	19.13	12.20	2.00	.....	46.00	40.60	26.75	.....	41.65	310.59	.....	7.93	668.57
14.30	38.83	6.10	2.00	.....	9.05	8.70	6.65	3.32	55.10	1.00	1.00	310.05	666.09
15.00	10.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....	29.15	.....	.....	3.31	.....	.....	.....	147.96
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
13.50	39.63	5.00	1.75	.....	.....	15.00	5.01	.....	10.15	.....	.....	.....	400.04
5,314.42	$1,933.81	$2,565.38	$ 83.65	$ 463.50	$1,432.08	$2,097.65	$1,954.24	$ 440.77	$2,372.20	$ 860.37	$ 69.31	$4,986.18	$48,669.80

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCH	SUPERINTENDENT	POSTOFFICE	SECRETARY	POSTOFFICE	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S.S.	Months Kept Open
Asheville, First	C. S. Davis	Asheville	Lee Ownbey	Asheville	2	54	780	834	....	1
Asheville, Calvary	W. E. Howard	West Asheville	J. W. Baity	West Asheville	1	22	300	322	110	1
Asheville, Fr. Broad	G. D. Carter	Asheville	Miss Ada Beck	Asheville	1	16	200	216	100	1
Asheville, North	E. R. Eckerd	Asheville	Vanard Hawkins	Asheville	1	20	201	221	50	1
Asheville, Riverside	James Haynes	Asheville	Sue K. Salinas	Asheville	1	15	205	220	100	1
Asheville, West End	R. G. Young	Asheville	Bynum Jackson	West Asheville	1	8	92	100	26	1
Asheville, Biltmore	S. N. Davis	Biltmore	J. B. Jackson	Biltmore	1	12	110	122	75	1
Antioch	T. J. Carter	Democrat	Flora Hampton	Democrat	1	8	46	54	....	1
Avery's Creek *										
Beaverdam	Charles Carter	Asheville, R 1			1	10	71	81	24	1
Berea	C. V. Shope	Swannanoa, R 1	Miss Gertie Cordell	Swannanoa, R 1	7	7	53	60	20	1
Big Ivy	A. I. Ingle	Barnardsville	Lucile Hawkins	Barnardsville	1	7	88	95	....	1
Black Mountain, South	Joseph Kinsey	Black Mountain	W. L. Clements	Black Mountain	1	10	110	120	30	1
Black Mountain, North **										
Brown's Chapel	J. L. Sizeman	Beech	Helen Jenkins	Beech	1	9	98	107	35	1
Chestnut Grove	V. Hensley	Dillingham	Nelson Brigman	Dillingham	1	10	46	60	35	1
Elk Mountain	W. B. Langford	Asheville, R 4	T. W. Corn	Asheville, R 5	1	7	75	82	25	1
Emley's Grove	E. W. Owenby	Fletcher	W. D. Galyean	Fletcher	1	9	61	70	....	
Fairview	J. R. Grant	Fairview	Vernon Ashworth	Fairview	2	16	130	146	110	1
Flat Creek	J. E. Chandler	Weaverville	Vinetta Williams	Weaverville	1	9	50	59	43	1
Gash's Creek	T. J. Ingle	Azalea	F. A. Wilkinson	Biltmore	1	7	74	81	40	1
Hominy	W. F. Clark	Candler	Thelma Gudger	Candler	1	8	62	70	30	1
Inanda	Eugene Brown	Candler	E. W. Levi	Candler	1	6	60	66	19	1
Jupiter	W. W. Crowder	Alexander	Miss Allie Perkins	Alexander	1	7	83	90	30	1
Liberty	W. W. Green	Candler	L. C. Holcomb	Candler	1	9	60	69	15	1
Macedonia	Hugh Rymer	Alexander	Frank Buckner	Asheville, R 4	1	5	70	75	....	1
Morgan Hill	J. S. Ball	Stocksville	V. C. Beechboard	Stocksville	1	6	60	66	....	1
Mountain View	Miss Nina Burnett	Black Mountain	Miss Grace Walker	Black Mountain	1	5	40	45	....	
Mt. Carmel	L. H. Young	Asheville, R 4	Lloyd Brookshire	Asheville, R 4	1	10	105	115	75	1
New Morgan Hill	L. R. Fox	Candler	Owen Morgan	Candler	1	8	65	73	23	1
New Bridge	M. A. Lominac	Asheville, R 5	S. E. Wilson	Asheville, R 5	1	10	60	70	30	1
Pleasant Grove **										
Pleasant Hill	P. J. Coffey	Asheville, R 5	J. A. Edmonds	Asheville, R 5	1	9	32	41	....	1
Reed's Chapel	J. J. Harris	Biltmore	A. T. Davidson	Biltmore	1	7	125	132	19	1
Ridgecrest	S. R. Moore	Ridgecrest	Robert Moore	Ridgecrest	2	12	....	....	35	1
Ridgeway	O. H. Winchester	Candler	R. E. Morgan	Candler	1	10	117	127	32	1
Swannanoa	W. A. Hunnicutt	Swannanoa	Roy Mann	Swannanoa	1	7	103	110	40	1
Spring Mountain										
White Rock	L. D. Kingting	Candler	Windel Peoples	Candler	1	6	60	66	36	1
				TOTALS	38	381	3892	4273	1212	

*—No Sunday School. **—No letter.

CHURCH	NAME OF ORGANIZATION	PRESIDENT	POSTOFFICE	NUMBER OF MEMBERS	STATE MISSIONS	HOME MISSIONS	FOREIGN MISSIONS	
Antioch	W. M. S.	Mrs. N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	28	$ 5.00	$ 5.00	$ 5.00	$
Asheville First	W. M. S.	Mrs. W. F. Powell	Asheville	239	298.67	894.51	441.95	
Beaverdam	W. M. S.	Mrs. W. R. Oates	Asheville R 1	12	15.50	42.50	30.75	
Biltmore	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. M. McCall	Biltmore	20	14.00	24.00	14.00	
Calvary	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. M. Ledford	West Asheville	50	17.04	132.99	37.11	
Fairview	W. M. S.	Miss Jessie Miller	Fairview	10	.....	5.00	34.00	..
French Broad Ave.	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. A. Klutz	Asheville	32	10.00	101.60	53.30	..
Flat Creek	W. M. S.	Mrs. W. W. Buckner	Weaverville	10	1.05	1.50	1.45	
Hominy	W. M. S.	Mrs. W. J. Gudger	Candler	10	.....	.....	.....	..
New Bridge	W. M. S.	Mrs. James Baird	Asheville	12	5.00	5.00	30.00	
New Found	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. E. Jervis	Asheville R. 4	12	1.90	2.00	.....	..
North Asheville	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. C. Owens	Asheville	18	27.76	31.00	67.30	
Ridgecrest	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. A. Smith	Ridgecrest	21	11.00	22.00	21.00	
Riverside	W. M. S.	Miss Sue K. Salinas	Asheville	20	.....	5.00	20.00	..
S. Black Mountain	W. M. S.	Mrs. E. W. Queen	Black Mountain	12	6.50	13.00	3.00	
West End	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. E. Groves	Asheville	18	.....	.....	17.80	..
Asheville First	Y. W. A.	Mrs. Chester Brown	Asheville	23	6.65	26.25	6.10	
Calvary	Y. W. A.	Miss Millie Hamrick	West Asheville	20	1.00	18.00	5.00	
Fairview	Y. W. A.	Miss Gladys Ashworth	Fairview	14	.....	.....	.....	..
West End	Y. W. A.			..	5.00	.....	7.15	
French Broad Ave.	G. A.	Thelma Killian	Asheville	9	1.50	5.52	5.00	..
Riverside	G. A.			..	.....	.....	.....	..
West End	G. A.	Miss Minnie Worley	Asheville	20	.....	.....	8.81	..
Asheville First	R. Amb.	Miss Frances Suttle	Asheville	..	27.14	12.49	19.10	
French Broad Ave.	R. Amb.	Miss Frankie Else	Asheville	..	.....	.....	.....	..
Ridgecrest	R. Amb.	Mrs. J. R. Pace	Ridgecrest	12	.....	1.00	.25	..
West End	R. Amb.			..	.....	.....	10.96	..
Asheville First	Sunbeams	Miss Suttle	Asheville	..	17.45	13.08	19.09	
Calvary	Sunbeams	Mrs. J. M. Ledford	West Asheville	146	1.36	4.10	1.57	..
French Broad Ave.	Sunbeams	Valley Beck	Asheville	17	.....	2.90	2.25	..
New Bridge	Sunbeams	Ruth Baird	Asheville	25	.....	.....	.....	
North Asheville	Sunbeams	Bruce Fox	Asheville	43	.49	1.00	2.54	..
Ridgecrest	Sunbeams	Mrs. C. E. Lowder	Ridgecrest	15	.....	5.50	.50	..
S. Black Mountain	Sunbeams			..	.50	.....	.....	
West End	Sunbeams	Mrs. C. E. Groves	Asheville	..	5.00	.....	3.72	..
			TOTALS	868	$ 479.51	$1374.94	$ 868.70	$

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OFFICERS

J. B. GRICE, Moderator ..... Asheville
J. W. VESEY, Vice-Moderator ..... Asheville
J. M. JUSTICE, Clerk ..... Black Mountain
R. H. HUTCHINS, Associate Clerk ..... Asheville
G. D. CARTER, Treasurer ..... Asheville
DR. A. E. BROWN, Historian ..... Asheville

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

W. O. Riddick, J. C. Bennett, and Chester Carter.

PLACE OF NEXT ASSOCIATION

The next Association will be held with the Black Mountain Baptist church, Black Mountain, Tuesday and Wednesday after the Second Sunday in August, 1920, that being August 11 and 12.

INTRODUCTORY SERMON ..... By Rev. S. T. Hensley

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

Brown, Dr. A. E. ..... Asheville
Bradley, W. T. ..... Stocksville
Blackburn, C. S. ..... Fairview
Branson, R. N. ..... Fairview, R. 1
Bennett, J. C. ..... Candler
Beck, J. H. ..... Black Mountain
Cleveland, W. C. ..... Arden
Clark, L. S. ..... Candler
Devault, J. R. ..... Asheville
Edwards, F. C. ..... Asheville
Garten, C. E. ..... Asheville
Gentry, J. J. ..... Asheville
Grice, J. B. ..... West Asheville
Hensley, S. T. ..... Asheville, R. 5
Hipps, R. H. ..... Asheville
Hunnicutt, W. A. ..... Swannanoa
Hooker, W. H. ..... Asheville
Haynes, W. M. ..... Asheville, R. 1
Justice, J. M. ..... Black Mountain
Ingle, E. B. ..... Asheville
Israel, L. Y. ..... Candler
Kuykendall, W. J. ..... Candler
Moss, W. R. ..... Candler, R. 4
Miller, H. D. ..... Marshall
Miller, C. A. ..... Black Mountain
Moore, S. F. ..... Fairview
Morgan, E. J. ..... Candler
Morgan, S. J., Sr. ..... Stocksville
Morgan, S. J., Jr. ..... Biltmore
Powell, Dr. W. F. ..... Asheville
Phillips, N. B. ..... Barnardsville
Parham, S. ..... Barnardsville
Pickens, J. M. ..... Alexander
Proffitt, M. S. ..... Democrat
Plemmons, James ..... Candler
Redmond, G. R. ..... Biltmore, R. 3
Sluder, M. M. ..... Asheville, R. 4
Spilman, Dr. B. W. ..... Ridgecrest
Sorgee, Benjamin ..... Asheville
Vesey, J. W. ..... Asheville
Woodall, W. H. ..... Asheville
Wade, J. H. ..... Asheville, R. 5

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS

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TUESDAY, AUGUST ELEVEN—FIRST DAY.

9:00 a. m.—Devotional Service, Conducted by the Moderator.
9:30 a. m.—Reading of Letters. Enrollment of Messengers.
10:15 a. m.—Organization. Election of Officers.
Introduction of Visitors. Recognition of New Pastors.
Recognition of Denominational Representatives.
11:00 a. m.—Annual Sermon. Rev. S. T. Hensley, Asheville.
12:30 p. m.—Announcements. Recess for Dinner.

1:45 p. m.—Prayer Service.
2:00 p. m.—Associational Missions. Report of Executive Com.
Report of the Treasurer.
Report of Woman's Work.
Report of the B. Y. P. U.
Report on Sunday Schools.
Report on State of the Churches.
General Discussion of all above reports.

3:45 p. m.—Report on Periodicals. Discussion.
Report on Temperance. Discussion.
Miscellaneous Business.
Recess until the Night Session.

8:00 p. m.—Devotional Service.
8:30 p. m.—Report on the Orphanage. Discussion.
Report on Christian Education.
Report on Laymen's Work.
Announcements. Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST TWELVE—SECOND DAY.

9:00 a. m.—Devotional Service. Prayer for Missionary Work.
9:15 a. m.—Report on State Missions.
Report on Home Missions.
Report on Foreign Missions.
Missionary discussion following the above reports.

12:30 p. m.—Announcements. Recess for Dinner.
1:45 p. m.—Devotional Service.
2:00 p. m.—Reports of Committees.
New Business.
Miscellaneous Business.
Final Adjournment.

NOTE—The purpose of this program is to devote the afternoon of the first day to the discussion of Associational interests. The morning of the second day is to be devoted to World-wide Missions. Other reports come in their places on the program. The committee will insist upon the program.

PROCEEDINGS

FIRST DAY MORNING SESSION.

The Thirty-Eighth Annual Session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with the New Bridge Baptist church, August 12 and 13, 1919.

The Moderator, Dr. A. E. Brown, called the Association to order at 9:30 A. M. Tuesday, Aug. 12, and conducted a brief devotional service.

Letters from the churches were called for and read.

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

The following were enrolled as messengers:

Asheville, First—J. J. Gentry, W. H. Woodall, W. O. Riddick, R. H. Hipps, W. C. McConnell, Mrs. W. C. McConnell, Chas. McConnell, Mrs. W. H. Westall, Mrs. C. A. Morgan, Mrs. W. C. Stradley, Mrs. C. R. Baugham, Miss Blanche McConnell, W. F. Powell, Mrs. W. F. Powell, J. T. Justice, Mrs. J. T. Justice, Mrs. Jessie Hattimer, L. T. Freeman, Miss Cappie Craig, C. R. Baughm.

Asheville, Calvary—E. B. Murdock, Mrs. E. B. Murdock, J. F. Spivey, Mrs. J. F. Spivey, Dr. A. E. Brown, Mrs. A. E. Brown, J. B. Ingle, Mrs. J. B. Ingle, Annie Logan, Grace Logan, J. H. Adams, Mrs. J. H. Adams, G. L. Self, Mrs. J. M. Ledford, J. W. Baity, G. G. Morgan, Mabel Starnes, G. H. Starnes, M. W. Hamrick, B. B. Jones, Mrs. B. B. Jones, J. B. Grice.

Asheville, West End—George Pennell, E. L. Hays, T. C. Shepherd, W. P. Compton, A. W. Green, Mrs. A. W. Green, Annie L. May, Mrs. Etta Ferrell, Mattie Hays, Minnie Worley, Mabel Canler, Pearl Redmond, Mrs. M. Worley, Mrs. G. Pennell, C. E. Garten.

Asheville, French Broad—J. W. Vesey, G. D. Carter, H. D. Taylor, C. J. Woody, R. B. Sams, Mrs. C. A. Klutz, Mrs. J. A. Groves, J. A. Bell.

Asheville, North—H. B. Miles, W. D. Tracey, Mrs. G. B. Turner, Miss Ida Haynes, Mrs. F. W. Thorne, Benj. Sorgee.

Asheville, Riverside—W. R. Moss, James Haynes, J. R. Watkins, George Andrews.

Avery's Creek—J. A. Ballard, W. A. Rhodes.

Antioch—T. J. Carter, C. W. Shepherd, J. C. Brown, R. H. Clouse, T. C. Morgan, Lee Garrison, Robert Burleson.

Beaverdam—Jas. Allen, E. P. Stradley, Richard Rice, Grace Kuykendall, Neta Cole, Ed. Carter, Robt. Greenwood.

Bent Creek—G. R. Redmond, G. W. Fuller, John Crook.

Berea—C. V. Shope, W. M. Whisenhunt, J. A. Cordell, Miss C. Shope, Mrs. J. A. Cordell, W. M. Cordell.

Big Ivy—Gay Whitaker, A. G. Ingle, Z. V. Foster.

Black Mountain—J. M. Justice, N. D. Wells, C. B. Allen, D. E. Walker, J. H. Beck.

Brown's Chapel—Geo. Bradley, A. Ingle, Curtis Lunsford, L. D. Maney.

Chestnut Grove—N. E. Brigman, Roy Burleson.

Craggy—Marion Wright, D. Ingle, M. D. Gant, Mrs. B. A. Hawkins.

Elk Mountain—L. J. Bagwell, T. W. Corn, J. M. Howard, R. Gosnell, J. G. McElrath.

Emma's Grove—J. H. Goforth, J. T. Poore.

Fairview—J. H. McDaniel, J. Earwood, B. K. Miller, R. A. Morgan, W. Ashworth, W. M. Reed, J. L. Ashworth, W. L. Miller.

Flatcreek—E. Rice, J. E. Candler, M. B. Spivy, B. L. Harron, J. K. Robinson, Mrs. M. B. Spivey, Miss Sue Chandler, Miss Winnie Roberts.

Gash's Creek—S. J. Morgan, J. Ingle, W. J. Goldsmith, W. L. Hart, F. Williams, Berta Hagan, F. A. Wilkerson.

Hominy—J. H. Morgan, M. H. Morgan, J. G. Robertson, S. Owen, R. H. Hutchison.

Inanda—W. S. Justus, E. M. Levi, Lee Ramsey.

Jupiter—S. S. Roberts, E. A. Roberts, Clarence Crowder, Cossie Edwards, Mrs. L. S. Roberts, M. C. Sprinkle.

Liberty—L. C. Holcom, A. H. Parham, H. A. Sawyer.

Macedonia—J. G. Rymer, C. E. Sluder, H. M. Buckner, H. C. Holcom.

Morgan Hill—J. N. Morgan, J. B. Morgan, J. B. Draper, James Riddle, J. S. Bull, Wayne Lewellen.

Mountain View—C. A. Miller.

Mt. Carmel—T. C. King, M. M. Sluder, S. B. Robertson, L. Beck, L. H. Young, L. D. Brookshire, Jesse Rymer, J. H. Briggs, J. L. Welch.

Mt. Olive—A. A. Stewart, R. A. Stewart, N. A. Stewart.

New Bridge—Bascomb Hensley, R. P. Buckner, Wm. Buckhum, Mrs. H. P. Cleaveland, Mrs. Ben Whitesides.

New Morgan Hill—Rev. E. J. Morgan, G. M. Lance, Cordia Morgan, O. Morgan.

Pleasant Hill—J. Kuykendall, W. L. Ballard, J. E. Silvers, S. E. Ballard.

Reed's Chapel—J. J. Harris, A. T. Davidson.

Ridgeway—G. T. Campbell, P. P. Morgan, G. D. Muse, T. W. Young, Mrs. T. W. Young, Miss Nellie Young.

Ridgecrest—B. W. Spilman, Rachel C. Sims, Luther Robinson.

Swannanoal—L. B. Buchanan, Mrs. L. B. Buchanan, Miss Zelda Wright.

White Rock—M. M. Morgan, L. W. Peoples, T. J. Morgan, G. V. Israel, C. Morgan, Mrs. L. D. Knighting.

Wilkey—Miss Daisy M. Garrison, Miss Harriet L. Garrison.

The following churches sent no messengers: Pleasant Grove, Spring Mountain, Black Mountain, North and Biltmore.

OFFICERS

The following officers were elected:
Moderator, J. B. Grice.
Vice-Moderator, J. W. Vesey.
Clerk, James M. Justice.
Associate Clerk, R. H. Hutchison.
Treasurer, G. D. Carter.
Historian, Dr. A. E. Brown.

INTRODUCTORY SERMON

By James M. Justice—THEME—The Thrice Given Commission. Mat. 28:19-20.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional Period led by Dr. J. C. Owen.

On motion of Dr. A. E. Brown, the Craggy Baptist church was received into the fellowship of the Association.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:
Periodicals—W. O. Riddick and J. W. McEwen.
Education—Edward Ingle and Dr. A. E. Brown.
Sunday Schools—W. R. Moss and Burgin Pennell.
State Missions—J. W. Vesey and S. T. Hensley.
Home Missions—Benjamin Sorgee and J. H. Adams.
Foreign Missions—R. H. Hipps and W. H. Woodall.
Layman's Movement—J. G. Rymer and W. C. McConnell.
Orphanage—J. C. Bennett and Dr. W. F. Powell.
Temperance—C. A. Miller and C. E. Garten.
State of Churches—W. T. Bradley and N. B. Phillips.
Woman's Work—Mrs. J. M. Ledford and J. J. Gentry.
B. Y. P. U.—R. H. Hutchison and C. K. Turner.
Time and Place—J. T. Justice, C. B. Allen and H. D. Cleveland.
On Nominations—R. H. Hutchison, W. C. McConnell and J. W. McEwen.
Executive Committee—W. O. Riddick, M. W. Hamrick and Chester Carter.
Apportionment Committee—W. O. Riddick, Chm., J. C. Bennett, J. V. Ingle, S. T. Hensley, W. F. Powell, A. E. Brown, J. W. Vesey, J. J. Gentry.

The Association recognized the following new pastors: S. T. Hensley, T. C. King and Enlistment worker, J. J. Gentry.

The following visitors and denominational workers were recognized: J. M. Hilliard, Archibald Johnson, Charity and Children; J. H. Couch, representing the Sunday School work of N. C.; E. E. Stafford, Biblical Recorder; A. I. Justice, J. W. Crow, Mountain School work; C. D. Creasman, Dr. R. T. Vann, Missionary G. P. Bostic, of China; Dr. J. C. Owen, of Franklin and J. R. Owen of Mars Hill.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The report of the Executive Committe was read by Rev. Benj. Sorgee and discussed by himself. The report was adopted and follows:

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Your Executive Board met on Sept. 9th, and the following officers were elected: W. O. Riddick, chairman; J. W. Vesey, vice-chairman; Benj. Sorgee, secretary; G. D. Carter, treasurer.

At this first meeting there was a very manifest desire for a better and larger work in the Association. A backward look was taken at the mistakes and the successes of the past year's work, in order that profit and inspiration might be gathered from them.

Inspired with this desire for a greater work, the Board immediately took steps to find a suitable man to do enlistment work in the Association. A committee was appointed, with Brother A. E. Brown as chairman, to recommend to the Board a man for this important work. After many weeks of careful investigation this committee made its report. It was found that Brother J. J. Gentry would take the work. Assurance had been secured from the Home Board that it would pay one-half of the salary for an enlistment man; and that the State Board would pay one-fourth. This would leave only one-fourth to be paid by the Association.

Considering that such an arrangement and agreement would be exceedingly fortunate for the Association, the Executive Board was glad to confirm the contract made by the committee with Brother Gentry, and did so. It also appointed a committee composed of, W. O. Riddick, Dr. A. E. Brown, and G. D. Carter, to secure the amount necessary to cover the Association's part of Brother Gentry's salary until the meeting of the Association in August. The following pledges were made for this purpose:

French Broad	$ 10.00
Calvary	10.00
West End	10.00
Bro. Hensley's field	10.00
Biltmore	10.00
Chester Miller's field	10.00
W. T. Bradley	5.00
North Asheville	5.00
Jim Morgan	5.00
First Church	25.00
Total	$100.00

The Board voted to recommend to the Association at its next meeting that the Association assume the responsibility for the payment of one-fourth of the salary of our enlistment worker.

On Sunday, June first, this enlistment work was launched in a service of great significance at the Hominy church. A committee appointed for the purpose, had spared no time nor pains to arrange a program for an all-day service in starting off the work. This service furnished a fine opportunity for introducing Brother Gentry to the people. Many were present from various parts of our own Association, and some from other associations. It was truly a great day for the work of the kingdom in this Association.

Although compelled by necessity to go slowly at first until he could become better acquainted with the work, Brother Gentry's services have already proved the wisdom of his appointment. Wherever he has been he has rendered great assistance to those with whom he has labored.

Through the kindness of the board of deacons of the First Baptist church, room has been provided in the First church building for an office and a book-depository to be operated in connection with Brother Gentry's work. At this depository, the best of religious books and Bibles can be purchased. This will be of great help to the work of our denomination, as it will bring right to us the kind of books we need most.

The First church has also very graciously offered to furnish the McConnell class room to be used by our Baptist folk when in Asheville as a rest-room. Here will be found all the comforts and conveniences for a needed rest; and our Baptist people are not only invited to use this room freely, but are urged to do so.

The arrangement for hadquarters for the work of Brother Gentry at the First church will also include an office for Miss Annie Logan, our associational superintendent of Woman's work.

Another movement in the Association of much significance is that of the Million Dollar Campaign for our Baptist schools and colleges. On September 30th, this work was set forward. An Associational manager was appointed to lead in the work; and a committee was appointed to apportion among the churches the thirty-four thousand dollars to be raised.

As quickly and as vigorously as possible the work went forward. But this work soon met with unavoidable and, almost unheard of difficulties. The epidemic of influenza set in and our plans were greatly frustrated. But in spite of these hindrances seventeen of the churches of the Association went over the top in reaching their apportionments. Other churches would have done as well if they could have been reached by our committees. Health conditions, though, would not allow these committees to do the work for which they had been appointed, and for this reason the work could not be pressed to a finish as had been planned.

This Million Dollar Campaign has now been merged with the Baptist Seventy-Five Million Dollar Campaign, and will go forward in that connection.

The Executive Board had intended putting on a forward-movement campaign similar to the one carried on so successfully last year, and a committee was appointed to arrange for it; but here again our plans were broken into by the epidemic of influenza.

At a meeting of the Board last night, where much prayer was made for the success of the meetings of this Association today and tomorrow, it was voted that your Board recommend to the Association that all local matters be disposed of today, Tuesday,

and that all of Wednesday be given over to the Baptist Seventy-Five Million Dollar Campaign, and to all related reports and matters.

The Board also approves of a plan to have provided in our associational letter blanks a place to report all offers of SELF for SERVICE in the ministry and in missionary work.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. SORGEE, Secretary.

On motion of Dr. A. E. Brown it was voted that the Buncombe Association become responsible for 1-4 of Rev. J. J. Gentry's salary as enlistment worker in said association, the same being $600.

Treasurer G. D. Carter reported a balance of $17.46 on hand from last year.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S WORK

Read by C. E. Garten, discussed by himself, E. E. Stafford, G. P. Bostick and J. M. Hilliard. Report was adopted.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S WORK

As the time draws near for the meeting of our Association our thoughts travel backward over the months that have intervened since our last meeting.

Then our hearts were torn and bleeding because of the great World War, that had called our best and dearest from us and we knew not when they would return to us.

Now, the war is over. Peace has been declared, and our loved ones have returned to us. Some of them are sleeping on the other side, but their memories will ever live in our hearts.

It seems fitting that in this time of noise and turmoil of the Reconstruction period our women should have chosen for their hymn for the year, "Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult." Jesus is indeed calling us to a greater service for Him. These troubleous times have taught us to think large thoughts, attempt great things, and we will accomplish greater things.

Our report for the year ending July 1st, 1919, is as follows:

Foreign Missions	$ 935.17	
Home Missions	1,886.02	
Chruch Building Loan Fund	1,241.94	
Christian Education	1,150.23	
State Missions	460.17	
Training School	154.35	
Bible Fund	10.00	
Margaret Fund	10.00	
Total to Missions		$ 5,847.88
Personal Service	$ 4,740.08	
Other Objects	238.75	
Expense Fund	19.05	
Progress Fund	21.10	
Total		5,018.98
Grand Total		$10,866.86

This being an increase of $4,202.31 during the year. Five new

societies have been organized during the year. We hope to report a greater increase in the coming year.

We have 20 W. M. S.; 5 Y. W. A.; 2 G. A.; 5 R. A; 8 Sunbeams. Total 40. These different organizations represent a membership of 852. Our subscriptions to Mission Magazines show an increase. We have subscriptions to Royal Service 138; Home and Foreign Fields 111; Biblical Recorder 114. Tottal 363.

Believing that our women were capable of doing greater work for the Master, and with a desire in our hearts to help our sisters in our smaller churches, we have divided our Association into different groups of churches, to be known as Associational Divisions . These consist of one larger church and several smaller churches. Each division to have its own leader. The object being to strengthen the weaker societies and, in churches where there are no societies, help them to organize, and in each case lend a "helping hand" with sisterly love, all along the way.

We hope this will mean enlarged opportunities and that the joy of mutual helpfulness may be known to each of us. We have two great aims for our years' work. Our chief aim is the raising of our apportionment for the Baptist 75 Million Dollar Campaign. We are proud of our demonination because they have taken this great step forward, and we feel sure that our women will raise their apportionment. They have responded so nobly to every call, that we feel they will not be found wanting in this. Our apportionment is $50,000 to be raised in the five years' time.

Our other aim is a Mission Study Class in every society in our Association. We want as many members as possible from each society to begin at once the study of the W. M. N. Manual, that they may complete it before the second day of October. On that day we are planning to hold an all day meeting. At this time examinations will be given, and certificates will be presented to all who successfully pass this examination. We hope this will be an inspirational meeting, and a red letter day in our work. We ask that each pastor aid and encourage, in every possible way, their women in this work.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNIE O. KHELLY.

REPORT TEMPERANCE.

Read by W. F. Powell and discussed by Missionary G. P. Bostick. After an amendment by Dr. A. E. Brown, report was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Perhaps one of the greatest blunders our Government ever made was to license the liquor traffic to "Raise revenue" to defray the expense of the civil war.

Germany with her deep laid plans for world dominion, more than thirty years ago, recognized this blunder and with all her cunning and deviltry took advantage of our stupid, inconsistent and unconstitutional policy in regard to this traffic; sent her ablest men to our shores in order to capture this business and conduct it for our political, moral and physical destruction, so that our nation might become so Germanized and weakened by its use that we would, at the proper time, be easily conquered, and from that time till now about 90% of this traffice has been run and controlled by German interest. This plan was deeper laid and has been far more destructive than that of the submarines. The moral and spiritual

degradation brought about by this traffic is too well known to a religious body to need comment; therefore we will mention a few of the many things not so generally known, hoping thereby to awaken among our people a more determined desire to rid the country of so great an evil. While our sons fought the Germans in France we gave aid and comfort to the Germans who fought us at home. During the last year they made beer and sold liquor here and we were so short of coal that a number of our American children froze to death, yet we allowed these enemies to waste over five million tons; we were limited in sugar, while they wasted thirty-three thousand tons; we lacked cars for our commerce but gave them the continuous use of over forty thousand freight cars; we lacked ships but gave them more shipping than the submarines sunk; we needed men but allowed them an army of over two hundred thousand to run their traffic. While more people were starving than were being killed in the great war, we allowed them to waste seventy-five million bushels of food grain to make beer. Then in order to further aid them, we gave them two billion dollars for this broth of Satan in order that they might send the money across to buy bullets to shoot our own boys with and to buy up great American newspapers for German propaganda and to blast, damn and ruin every man in America who dared say a word against this traffic, our Christian Bryan, Secretary Daniels and A. Mitchell Palmer being shining marks for theri attack.

How well these Huns calculated for our physical destruction may be seen by a comparison of the men 21 to 31 examined for military service in the wettest State in the union where there had never been any restriction of the liquor traffic, and the oldest prohibition State. In the wet state we got about 13% men fit for service, and in the dry state about 85%. Had all States been equally wet where would our army have come from, and might we not be living under German rule? And yet we have Americans who know, or care so little about this araffic, that they encourage and uphold it—not only this but church members who support and shield it.

For years past the liquor dealers' association has had paid lobbyists of great ability at our national capitol with unlimited funds at their disposal to prevent any temperance legilsation. More and more, however, the power of good men has become manifest till our Congress recently passed a prohibition amendment to our Constitution and 45 of the 48 States have ratified it by the largest majorities ever given an amendment.

Scarcely had this amendment been ratified before this German gang, known as the Liquor Dealers' Association, met in convention, raised a billion dollar fund, and employed some of the ablest lawyers in the country—among them Elihu Root—to set at naught and make inoperative our own Constitution, hitting hard at the tap root of our Government. If this is not Bolshevism, what is it? By the force of this same influence the President of the American Federation of Labor has several times gone to our President and also before our National Congress and told them that if this Constitution was upheld that labor would rebel. By our folly, yes, national sin, we have fostered, fed, and reared a viper that now turns on us and threatens to overthrow our great Government if we lay hands on it. Germany across the waters duped us till she thought we did not have manhood or sense enough to fight; we showed her but like Satan himself she never quits, and our fight with her at home is worse than the one we had in France.

Even our President, Mr. Wilson, has been so pressed by this gang that he tried to lift the ban on beer and wine and turn this gang loose on those of us whom he had asked to pray for the sal-

vation of our nation. This report is not meant as a criticism of anyone or anything, but the facts are set forth to show to our people the power of the enemy we have to contend with. It is, however, not the power of the enemy or the weakness of our army that matters are thus, but it is the apathy of our forces; thousands of whom say the fight is over and others say we cannot put the monster down. What we need is to wake up and fight realizing that God is with us, but that we must do our part.

We recommend:

1. That this association go on record as favoring a strong law enforcement prohibition act; that the law shall apply to all Americans in China or elsewhere where treaties permit and defining "Intoxicating Liquors" as to include all alcoholic liquors or beverages and that not only the association but individuals send and send and keep sending telegrams, letters, and petitions sugstantially as follows:

U. S. Senate, care Senator (yours), Washington, D. C., operator duplicate to U. S. House of Representatives, care M. C. (yours). Also duplicate to the president. (8 names may sign 50 word message—cost to each about 10c).

Undersigned voters petition for strong prohibition enforcement act, define "Intoxicating Liquors" as including all alcoholic liquors or beverages and extend prohibition law to all American citizens in China or elsewhere where treaties permit.

2. That a strong committee be appointed to present this matter to every Baptist church in the state, or elsewhere it can consistently reach; urging that each association and church may organize for the fight and that other denominations be invited to join with us.

3. Each church and association be advised to buy and circulate among its members and in the public schools copies of the booklet "Effect of Alcoholic Drinks on the Human Mind and Body," published at about 10c each by the Scientific Temperance Federation, Boston, Mass.

4. That each association try to get this booklet, or a larger work, adopted as a text book in the public schools.

5. That each church, association, or committee be urged to hunt down and report to proper authorities all moonshiners, bootleggers and drunken men for with moonshine liquor selling at $40 to $50 a gallon will take more risk to make and sell it than ever before, and conditions as to this, for a considerable time, will grow worse instead of better.

REPORT ON STATE OF CHURCHES

Read by R. H. Hutchins and discussed by J. T. Justice and W. O. Riddick.

STATE OF CHURCHES

We, your committee on state of the churches, beg leave to report as follows:

1. Of the 40 churches in the bounds of the Association 38 are represented by letters and messengers. This is the greatest number of churches that has ever been represented in this body, which shows there is an increased interest in objects fostered by the Bun-County Association.

2. The spiritual condition of the churches may be indicated by the increase in membership, by baptisms and by their willingness to give to mission objects. The number of baptisms fell down from 406 in 1918 to 250 in 1919. The decrease may be accounted for by the war conditions and the epidemic of Influenza which prevented many churches from holding evangelistic meetings.

The table below will show that the spirit of giving to mission objects has made marked growth. You will note that the apportionment committee at the last association made the goal for the churches for this year 46% more than they had previously given, while in the special campaign for christian education the churches raised over $7,500, yet they more than met their total apportionment and gave 70% more than the previous year.

	1918	Apportionment	1919
State missions	$1,432	$ 2,262	$ 2,286
Home missions	2,097	2,672	4,485
Foreign missions	1,954	2,768	3,654
Orphanage	2,372	3,820	3,066
	$7,855	$11,522	$13,491

Nine churches equaled or exceeded their apportionment in all these four obejcts. Almost without exception the churches advanced in their total giving to missions.

C. J. WOODY.
R. R. HUTCHISON.

On motion it was voted that Bro. J. W. Vesey be asked to visit the churches of the association which failed to send messengers.

TUESDAY EVENING'S SESSION

Devotional period led by Rev. J. M. Hilliard of High Point.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The following Resolution was read by Dr. W. F. Powell and unanimously adopted:

"RESOLVED—That we, the representatives of the Churches of the Buncombe County Baptist Association, covenant together to set apart the coming Thanksgiving Day for grateful worship in every Baptist Church within our bounds and a loving thank offering for our children at Thomasville."

By special vote the Apportionment Committee was instructed to make our apportionment for the Orphanage large enough to cover the maintenance of all our association's children at Thomasville.

LAYMEN'S REPORT.

Read by J. J. Gentry and discussed by himself, G. D. Carter and W. O. Riddick. The report was adopted and was as follows:

LAYMEN'S REPORT

At this time Southern Baptists are putting on the greatest program that they have ever attempted in all their history. Seventy-five Million dollars in five years will test the faith and courage of every Baptist who really loves the Lord.

With magnificent heroism the women have assumed 15 Millions of this amount, and the men of the churches must awake to the

fact that they must arouse themselves and prepare for the coming battle that will try their faith and mettle. It will not be enough for our men to be satisfied with giving their money, but they must realize that they must take time from their business, and put their time and prayers and their best business ability in organizing for this great campaign. It is just as important for our men to organize themselves into men's unions for prayer, study and meditation on Kingdom problems as it is for our women. It is this study and prayer on Kingdom work in their local unions that is causing us to marvel at the great success of their work.

As their report to this Association shows, these women have prepared for more energetic work by dividing the Association into six Groups of churches with a leader for each group in order to more effectively stimulate the societies already organized and to institute new unions where there are none.

The recommendation of Dr. J. T. Henderson, the secretary of the Laymen's movement of the Southern Baptist convention, is that these men's unions be formed in every church to develop and train laymen in all the work of the local church and the needs of the Kingdom at large, and especially to render any and all services in the 75 Million Campaign.

To make effective the work of the Laymen, we recommend the adoption of the following groups of the various churches of the association, and that a committee of 7 be appointed consisting of a chairman and one man from each of these six groups who shall proceed to organize the laymen in the most effective manner, and especially to form men's unions in the various churches, and to use every possible means to interest, inspire, and train them for efficient service in the Kingdom of God. We further recommend that in case any member of this committee shall fail or refuse to serve that said committee shall have power to fill such vacancies.

The following groups of churches was adopted and the committee named to do the above work are as follows:

W. O. Riddick, Chairman.

Group 1—J. T. Justice, Leader; Asheville, First; Antioch, Big Ivy, Chestnut Grove, North Black Mauntain.

Group 2—Leader, Burgin Pennell, West End, Beaverdam, Morgan Hill, Jupiter, Flat Creek, Brown's Chapel.

Group 3—Leader, G. D. Carter; Brench Broad Avenue, Macedonia, New Found, Mt. Carmel, Elk Mountain, Pleasant Hill.

Group 4—Leader, Burt Ingle; Calvary, Hominy, Liberty, White Rock, Ridgeway, New Morgan Hill, Avery's Creek, Inanda.

Group 5—Leader, W. B. Frady; Biltmore, Riverside, Fairview, Reed's Chapel, Spring Mountain, Emma's Grove, Gash's Creek, Pleasant Grove.

Group 6—Leader, J. T. McEwen; New Bridge, North Asheville, Black Mountain, Ridgecrest, Swannanoa, Berea.

B. Y. P. U. WORK.

No report on this work was read but it was discussed by Edward Ingle, J. J. Gentry and J. T. Justice.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Written by Benj. Sorgee but not read to association. Work was discussed by the Associate Secretary of the State Sunday School work, Bro. J. H. Couch of Raleigh.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

A good definition for the Sunday school is that it is, "An edu-

cational institution, meeting once a week, under the direction of the church, engaged in teaching religious truth and training in Christian character and service."

This school has won for itself a large place among the positive factors of life. It had become, at least two decades ago, one of the most important forces in modern affairs. It was looked to then as a mighty agency for the solution, at least in large measure, of the great problem of religious education. In an age that had been slow to recognize the supreme importance of character and righteous living, this institution was looked upon as occupying a pre-eminent place as a character-forming agency.

Such an institution deserves our most serious consideration. We have a biblical basis for this work. Teaching the excellences of Christianity is to have a large place in the program Jesus gave the church. He said, "Go....make disciples....teach them." We have not taken this part of His command as seriously as He meant we should.

He said again, "I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." One of the functions of the church is to make clear to men, women, and children, that Jesus is the light of the world. The world needs to see that, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."—Prov. 9:10. No finer opportunity will be offered the church for discharging its responsibility to teach religious truth than is found in the Sunday school.

But not only should this institution receive serious consideration because its work is grounded in scripture, it has been found to be a mighty agency for evangelization. From the Sunday schools our churches get more than three-fourths of their members. This fact should spur us on to press forward our Sunday school work with all possible vigor. It deserves more and better attention.

Again, in the Sunday school we find an excellent opportunity for developing the missionary spirit. Missionary instruction should be included in the curriculum of every Sunday school. The worship in these schools should be so conducted as to develop the missionary atmosphere.

Some of our churches are now paying the running expenses of their Sunday schools; and in this way are leaving their schools to make all of their contributions to the benevolent objects. We commend this plan. We believe it will greatly help in the development of Christian character and the missionary spirit.

We should not fail to mention some of the needs of our Sunday schools today. The first is, that we should reach a larger number of pupils through our schools. On the whole in our Association we have many more members enrolled in our churches than we have pupils enrolled in our schools. The fault seems to lie in two directions: we are not bringing our church members into our schools as we should; and we are not reaching those who do not belong to any church as we should. A little effort through the Home Department will bring many of the church members into our schools. A genuine desire for the others, coupled with the right kind of methods, will bring many of them.

Again, there is in our Sunday schools great need of trained teachers. The solution of this problem will help greatly in reaching the unreached. It will also help mightily in doing a better quality of work. Oh, that our people would come to see what an opportunity here awaits them; and that they would consecrate themselves to this serious task! For the lack of workers we are failing to reach the lost, and to develop them into God-ruled men

and women. This need can be largely supplied, if our people will have a mind to work.

Sunday school work throughout our Southern Baptist Convention has been greatly strengthened by the Rural Sunday School Institutes held last and this year. Our Sunday School Board, at Nashville, Tenn., has made this work possible. These Institutes have been held in some of the remotest sections of the country, and have been productive of great good. We recommend that any church desiring such an Institute, confer with brother E. L. Middleton at Raleigh about the matter.

The Mobile Schools, too, have been of great help to our Sunday school work. In these schools the "New Convention Normal Manual" has been included in the instruction given. The methods set forth therein are the best to be found anywhere.

In all the history of the world there has not been so great need for Christian education as today. We need to teach men today that Jesus is the One "In whom all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge lie hidden,"—Colossians 2:3, that He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. This is truly the supreme hour for teaching the truth as it is in Jesus. The Sunday school can be mightily used for teaching this truth. Let us use it.

BENJ. SORGEE.
Respectfully submitted,

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

Devotional period by Rev. M. S. Proffitt.

After due examination of the Wilkey messengers it was voted to receive the Wilkey Baptist church into the fellowship of the Association.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Read by J. C. Bennett. Adopted.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

One of the very greatest needs of our denomination is the enlistment of our people in the cause of christian education. To educate is to greatly increase the power and efficiency of our people. If this education is left solely to state and non-christian institutions our increased power and efficiency may be spent in wrong channels. We must in self-defense, as well as for the glory of God and the advancement of his kingdom, give our boys and girls a christian education.

We need to get our Baptist schools and colleges on the hearts of our people so that they will give of their means to maintain them and send their boys and girls to them.

Realizing the great importance of christian education, our Southern Baptist Convention, at our last session established a Board of Education and charged it with this all important task. This board will be able to promote christian education only in proportion to our continued sympathy and cooperation.

Our million dollar campaign in N. C. for our schools is very encouraging and our 75 million in the South, of which 20 million is for education, is still more encouraging. These with other achievements and undertakings prove that we have caught the vision and are endeavoring to go forward by rapid strides.

Let us pray for our schools, give of our means to support them, and sacrifice to send our children to them. May we never be slack-

ers but do our best, and depend on our trustees and faculties to make the schools what they ought to be and safeguard the spiritual welfare of our children, and above all guard against any teacher or course of study that would breed skepticism or minimize the word of God.

The Baptists in North Carolina have in Wake Forest for our boys and Meredith college for our girls two of the very best Christian colleges in the land. The men and the women who have gone out from these colleges are shaping the religious and civic affairs in our state greatly to the advantage of our citizenship.

Our 14 Baptist academies are training thousands of our young people for Christian usefulness. We heartily commend to the patronage of our people Mars Hill college, Fruitland Institute, and Haywood Institute. These schools are not only worthy of our contributions, but of the care and training of our boys and girls.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Read by E. P. Stradley and adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

State missions is the task of prosecuting the Master's business in North Carolina. Is there need of it? We think there is. A large per cent of the best churches in the State have been aided by the Board of Missions. And the task is not done yet. There are numerous weak churches all over the State—in towns and in country—that must be helped for a short time till they are able to stand alone. Two years ago $50,000 could not supply the destitution. Now $120,00 will not suffice for all our needs, but is only the minimum for the most destitute points. Baptists have the money. It MUST and CAN BE RAISED, so that our Master's will may be done in our midst.

E. P. STRADLEY.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Read by George Pennell and discussed by Missionary G. P. Bostick. Report was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

At the last meeting of this Association, the mind and attention of the entire world was turned to the greatest conflict of the ages, and the first consideration of every one was "to win the war." In America every nerve was being strained for the purpose of enlisting ,training and equipping four million men to reinforce as speedily as possible, the battle worn but unyielding forces of our allies. The machinery of every industrial plant was being run to capacity limit to supply munitions and the necessities of war, whie the wheels of our transportation systems were spinning at their highest speed hauling troops and supplies to the ports of embarkation. The people engaged in the conflict stood ready to stake their all on the final outcome of the battles. In the contest millions of lives were sacrificed; billions of dollars spent; treasures and churches destroyed; cities and towns razed to the ground; fertile fields and farms devastated and wide stretches of country desolated.

In our own country, every township, cove and hollow knew that war was being waged across the seas, in that practically every home gave of its manhood and of its dollars; but despite the great interest in matters before-mentioned, the work of the great Baptist denomination in Foreign Missions was not abated, and the fight

against sin, ignorance and bigotry was waged in strenuous effort to Christianize as well as to suppress them with arms.

By reference to a report of the Foreign Mission Board to the Southern Baptist Convention (your committee makes no pretense to originality in this report, as the same is compiled from report above mentioned, to which reference is hereby made for more full and complete information), we find that as a result of the egorts of our missionaries in foreign lands, five thousand six hundred and thirty-five were baptized; forty-one new churches were organized; and two more new churches came to complete self-support; and that the medical missionaries made 129,298 treatments, the total receipts of the year passed were $1,223,190.47, which is a substantial increase over the preceding year, while the native Christians in various lands contributed $173,372, which effort corroborates the truth that when a person is converted he or she becomes ready and willing to do something for the cause of the Savior.

The countries in which active missionary work was carried on were Africa, Argentina, China, Japan, Italy, Mexico, Brazil and Chile, and in all these fields, the work has been pressed to the utmost under the circumstances, but when we learn of the struggles that had to be and will have to be made during the coming year, we are appalled at the actual condition, with prices soaring to the sky and a dollar only worthy fifty cents, and quoting from the report of one of our missionaries: "At the close of the year when we were thinking of a good opportunity to retrieve some of our losses, the Spanish influenza paralyzed the work for more than three months, and when the churches began to be in condition to renew the work, heavy rains commenced to fall and floods have stopped practically all work among our country churches," and we must come to the realization that those, who have and are displaying a fortitude and courage, unequalled by any soldier of the battle field, that we who remain from afar off, must fully realize that "a charge to keep I have, a God to glorify; a never dying soul to save and fit it for the skies," and that our souls will never be "carried to the skies on flowery beds of ease" by allowing the faithful missionaries to give their all, thousands of miles away from home, poorly paid and supplied with inadequate equipment, but that we must give them more of our prayers and sympathy, dig deeper into our pockets, and write larger checks for the cause of foreign missions.

Among the many special needs for the coming year, which should be stressed in our churches, missionary societies and Sunday Schools are: A vigorous campaign in securing the payment of past due notes executed in favor of the Judson Centennial Fund, as $213,-881.00 of these notes are now past due; the pastor and church workers should use their best influence in securing volunteers for missionaries. How apt and willing were our young men and women to go to the battle fronts of Europe, with the fields running red with blood, a veritable human slaughter pen ,and charnel house. Many of these, and others with a little encouragement will be willing to say "I'll go where you want me to go, Dear Lord," and go to carry the old, old story of Jesus Christ, the only Son of God and Him crucified to a dying people; we must not be tender of our dollars, with farm products bringing the highest price in the history of the commercial world, and the world's pay roll at a pinnacle never before reached, we must contribute, not as we have heretofore, but in keeping with the value of a dollar at this time, that our missionaries may receive compensation in keeping with the work in which they are engaged; that the lives of women and little children in our foreign hospitals may not flicker out because

of a lack of beds and medicine; that none may die without hearing of the Savior, "who died, that they might live."

At this time S. T. Hensley and Dr. A. E. Brown told of the sacrificial work of Rev. Benjamin Riddle and his present financial needs after his having spent some months in the hospital. Dr. Powell took the following pledges for Bro. Riddle who is now residing at Barnardsville:

New Bridge $10; Fairview $10; West End $20; Mt. Carmel $10; Flat Creek $5; North Asheville $10; Beaverdam $10; Black Mountain $10; French Broad Ave. $20. J. D. Ledford paying ten down on same; Asheville First $20; Chestnut Grove $10; Macedonia $5; Collection was taken amounting to $41.

THE 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN

Dr. A. E. Brown outlined the work of the 75 Million Campaign and gave a general view of the effect it would have on the churches. He was followed by Dr. R. T. Vann of Raleigh and Dr. R. J. Bateman of La.

It was voted that the Association pay the expenses of its member of the State Mission Board and that a collection be taken at each association for this purpose.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional Period by Rev. W. H. Wall of High Point.

On motion it was voted to amend the constitution as follws:

"That the Apportionment Committee be made a permanent annual committee." Also voted that the present apportionment committee be continued for next year.

Dr. B. H. DeMent of New Orleans spoke on the 75 Million Campaign, presenting especially the history and needs of The New Orleans Bible Institute.

Missionary G. P. Bostick followed on the subject of Foreign Missions.

On motion Bro. J. J. Gentry was instructed to make plans for at least three schools to be devoted to the special instruction of deacons in their work.

REPORT OF COMMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

as follows:

S. T. Hensley, Messenger to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Chester A. Miller, Messenger the State Baptist Convention.

Dr. A. E. Brown, member of the State Mission Board.

Members of the Executive Committee of the Buncombe

Association—W. O. Riddick, M. W. Hamrick and Chester Carter. On motion report was adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

Read by Benj. Sorgee and unanimously adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That by a rising vote, this, the Buncombe County Baptist Association, express to the good people of this, the New Bridge church and vicinity, our hearty appreciation of the generous and Christ-like way in which they have received us and cared for our wants while in their midst.

BENJ. SORGEE,
C. A. MILLER,
J. A. CORDELL,
Committee.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE

Presented by J. T. Justice. Adopted. Report as follows:

We, your committee on Time and Place, beg leave to recommend as follws:

PLACE—Black Mountain Baptist Church.

TIME—Tuesday after the Second Sunday in August, 1920.

INTRODUCTORY SERMON—Rev. Samuel T. Hensley.

Committee—J. T. Justice, C. B. Allen, H. D. Cleveland.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

Moved that the Clerk receive $10 for his services and that he have 700 copies of minutes printed, and present bill to treasurer.

PERIODICALS

Your Committee on Periodicals report that God in His grace has established four chief agencies by which His gospel is proclaimed, and His truth taught. Of these, the first is the parent in the home. The next, the called minister of the gospel. Following, is the faithful teacher of the Bible. The fourth the ,religious press. It cannot be as close as the others. The closest is the christian mother, and with her the father. Following them, the pastor, who comes from Sunday to Sunday and through the week lives with his people. Next, the faithful teacher who wakens in the heart of his pupil a response to the truth. While our religious press cannot get so close as parent, pastor and teacher, yet it has a power that none of the others have, the power of extension.

We are sending forth weekly hundreds of thousands of pages going to the ends of the earth, reaching thousands of homes. So when it comes to the extension work, God has given it largely to the religious press. It is not a supplement to the other three agencies, but a complement—a cooperating power. Realizing this,

we parents, pastors and teachers must come to the support of all of our denominational papers. Let us make a special effort to place in every Baptist home the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, Home and Foreign Field, in order that the glorious truth for which our churches have ever stood may be implanted in the minds and hearts of our people, and stimulate them to renewed action for the Master.

May God bless and prosper this great agency of His.

Respectfully,

N. B. PHILLIPS.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.—Name.

This Association shall be known as Buncombe County Baptist Association.

The objects of this Association shall be:

ARTICLE II—Objects.

1. To elicit, combine and direct the energies of the Baptist of Buncombe County in one sacred effort to encourage and promote the propagation of the Gospel within our bounds.

2. To foster and promote, under the auspices of the Baptist State Convention, the cause of State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian, Education, Orphanage, Sunday School and Colportage, Old Ministers' Relief and Temperance.

3. This Association disclaims to exercise lordship over the churches or to have any power which entitles it to infringe upon the internal rights of any of the churches composing it.

ARTICLE III.—Constituency.

Section. 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent by each Baptist Church in Buncombe County who shall be duly recommended by letter from the Church to which they belong, provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is so situated as to make it more convenient from natural causes to belong to this body shall be entitled to membership and representation in this Association.

Section 2. Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members exceeding twenty-five.

Section 3. Name of no delegates shall appear in the Minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

ARTICLE IV.—Officers.

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian.

Section 2. All the officers shall be elected annually and immediately after the reading of the church letters and the enrollment of the delegates. The Modrator shall be elected by ballott, the other officers in any way the Association may direct.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at all meetings of the body, and keep order in accordance with Mell's Manual of Parliamentary practice.

It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to preside in the absence of the Moderator.

It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of this body in a business-like manner, to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes of the Association, and to turn them over to his successor.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds belonging to the Association, and to pay them out to the objects for which they were collected.

It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep a record of such items as would be of interest to a future Historian, to preserve the same in a book. He shall also keep a file of the Minutes.

ARTICLE V.—Committees.

At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees, whose duty it shall be to report at the next annual meeting: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State of the Churches, Orphanage, Sunday Schools, Temperance, Woman's Work, Order of Business, Time and Place and Annual Sermon for the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE VI—Executive Board.

The Association shall at each annual meeting appoint an Executive Board to consist of the officers of the Association and three judicious and active brethern; three of whom shall constitute a quorum. All pastors shall be associate members of the Board.

The Executive Board shall superintend the mission work in the county, and carry out the resolutions and orders of the Association during its recess.

ARTICLE VII—Church Letters.

The letters from the churches shall give the following information:. Name of church and date of organization;

names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in its membership and their postoffices; number baptized, received by letter, restord, dismissed by letter, excluded, number of deaths during the year; time of meeting, amount paid for pastor's salary, incidntal expenses, State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Orphanage, Sunday School, and for any other objects.

Report of Sunday School will show the name of the Superintendent and Secretary with their postoffices, number enrolled, average attendance during the year, amount paid for the support of the Sunday School and for benevolent objects.

ARTICLE VIII.

The body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE IX.

This body shall meet annually according to adjournment

ARTICLE X.

Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI.

This Association may carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

Apportionment of Buncombe County Association for the Six Million Dollar Campaign

CHURCH	Full Apportionment	Amount Per Year for Five Years	Asso. Missions
Asheville First	$110000	$22000	$300 00
Asheville Fr. Brd.	17500	3820	60 00
Asheville West End	5000	1000	40 00
Asheville Calvary	15000	3000	60 00
Asheville North	5000	1000	20 00
Avery's Creek	750	150	2 50
Antioch	2500	2500	20 00
Berea	600	120	5 00
Bent Creek	250	50	2 50
Big Ivy	2500	500	20 00
Biltmore	10000	2000	25 00
Black Mt.	3000	600	25 00
Black Mt. North	250	50	2 50
Browns Chapel	250	50	2 50
Beaverdam	6000	1200	40 00
Chestnut Grove	500	100	2 50
Craggy	250	50	2 50
Elk Mt.	500	100	2 50
Emley Grove	500	100	2 50
Fairview	5000	1000	25 00
Flat Creek	1250	250	10 00
Gash's Creek	1250	250	10 00
Hominy	1625	325	10 00
Inanda	500	100	5 00
Jupiter	1500	300	5 00
Liberty	1000	200	5 00
Mt. Carmel	2500	500	20 00
Macedonra	600	120	5 00
Morgan Hill	1250	250	15 00
Mt. Olivet	250	50	5 00
New Bridge	2500	500	15 00
New Morgan Hill	750	150	5 00
Pleasant Grove	250	50	2 50
Reed,s Chapel	250	50	5 00
Ridgecrest	5000	1000	10 00
Ridgeway	1375	275	10 00
Riverside	500	100	5 00
Spring Mt.	250	50	2 50
Swannanoa	500	100	5 00
White Rock	1000	200	5 00
Wilkie	250	50	2 50
Mountain View	250	50	2 50
Pleasant Hill	250	50	2 50
	$210200	$42040	$822 50

NOTICE:—All funds for Associational Missions should be sent to G. D. Carter, Treasurer of Association, Asheville, N. C.

Collections for the Orphanage should be sent to F. G. Hamrick, Thomasville, N. C.

All other funds raised in the 75 Million Campaign should be sent to Walter Durham, Treasurer, Raleigh, N. C., and should be sent monthly.

TABLE I---STATISTICAL

CHURCH	PASTOR	POST-OFFICE	CLERK	POST OFFICE	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	GAINS			LOSSES			Number of Males
							By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death	
Asheville, First	Dr. W. F. Powell	Asheville	W. T. Angline	Asheville	Every	$100,000	35	91	0	73	3	12	391
Asheville, Calvary	J. B. Grice	West Asheville	M. W. Hamrick	Asheville	Every	8,500	24	26	1	26	9	2	155
Asheville, Fr. Broad	J. W. Vesey	Asheville	J. A. Groves	Asheville	Every	30,000	15	13	0	19	0	4	112
Asheville, North	Benj. Sorgee	Asheville	W. W. Turner	Asheville	Every	7,000	0	15	0	10	0	4	32
Asheville, Riverside	W. R. Moss	Asheville	Miss Alice B. Hough	Asheville	Every	1,500	11	16	0	0	0	0	19
Asheville, West End	C. E. Garten	Asheville	J. B. Anders	Asheville	Every	10,000	9	9	0	19	1	4	110
Asheville, Biltmore	C. K. Turner	Biltmore	W. B. Frady	Biltmore R 1	Every	12,000	20	15	3	0	0	1	90
Antioch	N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	C. S. Gentry	Democrat	1 & 3	1,200	0	0	0	6	1	0	93
Avery's Creek	C. F. Owen	Waynesville	S. O. Ingram	Arden	4th	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
Beaverdam	S. F. Hensley	Asheville R 5	E. P. Stradley	Asheville R 1	2 & 4	1,400	11	0	0	3	0	0	38
Bent Creek	G. R. Redmon	Biltmore	Edna Hays				0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Berea	C. A. Miller	Black Mt.	J. A. Cordell	Swannanoa R 1	2 & 3	1,800	3	0	0	0	0	1	27
Big Ivy	N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	Gay Whitaker	Barnardsville	Every	10,000	0	1	0	7	0	1	53
Black Mountain	J. M. Justice	Black Mt.	Joseph Kinsy	Black Mt.	Every	4,000	45	15	1	3	1	2	84
(North) Black Mt.	N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	No report										
Brown's Chapel	N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	S. A. Bradley	Beech	2	1,200	0	0	0	2	0	0	37
Chestnut Grove	N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	Roy Burleson	Diillngham	2 & 4	1,000	0	0	1	0	0	1	20
Craggy	W. B. Sprinkle	Leicester	Frankie Hawkins	Asheville	2 & 4	1,000	31	9	0	0	0	0	21
Elk Mountain	Tom Laning	Leicester	M. E. Johns	Asheville R 5	2 & 4	1,800	0	8	0	7	0	0	28
Emma's Grove	J. F. Morgan	Hendersonville	J. M. Whitaker	Fletcher R 2	1 & 3	100	0	10	0	2	0	1	27
Fair View	C. S. Blackburn	Fairview	P. O. Merrell	Fair View	1 & 3	10,000	6	0	0	5	0	2	158
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradly	Stocksville	M. P. Spivy	Stocksville	1 & 3	1,000	3	2	0	0	1	3	60
Gash's Creek	S. J. Morgan Jr.	Asheville	R. C. Arrowood	Azalea	1 & 3	6,000	0	0	0	1	0	0	43
Hominy	J. C. Bennett	Candler	L. S. Clark	Candler	2 & 4	4,000	0	2	1	2	1	1	30
Inanda	C. D. Cole	Hendersonville	T. H. Byers	Candler	1	15,700	3	0	0	1	0	0	20
Jupiter	J. C. Phillips	Mars Hill	L. L. Roberts	Weaverville	1 & 3	1,000	0	4	0	4	0	1	50
Liberty	J. C. Bennett	Candler	L. W. Young	Candler		2,000	0	0	0	1	0	0	15
Macedonia	L. C. Roberts	Marshall	Hugh Ryner	Alexander		600	0	0	0	1	0	0	29
Morgan Hill	N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	W. J. Beachboard	Stocksville		2,000	24	9	0	1	0	0	40
Mountain View	C. A. Miller	Black Mt.	J. L. Burnette	Black Mt.	1 & 3	1,300	0	0	0	4	0	4	23
Mt. Carmel	T. C. King	Hendersonville	L. D. Brookshire	Asheville R 4	1 & 3	1,000	0	4	0	7	0	0	56
Mt. Olive	None given		A. A. Stewart		2 & 4								
New Bridge	S. T. Hensley	Asheville R 6	M. A. Lominac	Asheville R 5		7,000	1	4	2	4	0	1	27
New Morgan Hill	J. C. Bennett	Candler	S. L. Morgan	Candler	1 & 3	1,500	0	0	0	3	0	0	27
Pleasant Hill	W. R. Moss	Asheville R 4	W. J. Bullard	Asheville R 5	3	1,500	1	4	0	0	0	3	39
Reed's Chapel	W. C. Cleveland	Arden	A. T. Davidson	Biltmore	1	1,500	5	0	0	0	1	1	26
Ridgeway	J. C. Bennett	Candler R 3	J. V. Morgan	Candler R 3	1 & 3	3,000	1	0	0	1	0	0	23
Ridgecrest	J. M. Justice	Black Mt.	W. V. Powell	Ridgecrest	1 & 2		9	7	0	8	0	0	30
Swannanoa	C. A. Miller	Black Mt.	L. B. Buchanan	Swannanoa	1 & 3	1,200	0	0	0	0	0	2	16
White Rock	J. C. Beneett	Candler	Collier Morgan	Candler	2 & 4	3,000	2	0	1	0	3	1	57
Wilkey	S. F. Moore	Fairview	Daisy M. Garrison	Black Mt.	4		0	0	0	1	0	0	
Spring Mt.	No repot				1	700	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Pleasant Grove	No report												
						$256,200	259	264	10	221	20	52	2175

TABLE II---FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S.
Asheville, First	$ 4,750.00	$ 4,078.25	$2,585.00	$ 565.11	$383.90	$25.00	$850.00	$1,453.93	$3,465.00	$2,476.48	$142.
Asheville, Calvary	1,640.00	7.00	253.37	237.31	61.82	8.00	10.00	143.77	158.77	143.77	....
Asheville, French Broad	1,485.00	1,089.47	792.81	368.19	18.44	10.00	10.00	215.01	271.45	317.89	10.
Asheville, North	716.62	31.30	196.11	109.73	74.90	3.00	5.00	64.13	60.71	88.02	3.
Asheville, Riverside	60.00	1,200.00	26.02	68.53	.....	1.00	.....	9.50	10.50	45.75	....
Asheville, West End	1,300.00	671.07	137.62	113.61	6.00	5.00	.....	50.00	50.00	55.00	20.
Asheville, Biltmore	1,300.00	187.74	378.86	125.84	18.50	.....	.....	30.00	15.00	15.00	55.
Atnioch	285.00	.....	.....	16.41	1.95	.....	.....	.....	10.00	10.00	....
Avery's Creek	100.00	38.00	23.00	.....	25.00	2.00	.....	10.00	10.00	6.00	1.
Beaverdam	500.00	.....	28.90	38.65	.....	3.00	.....	69.27	102.00	131.00	9.
Bent Creek	80.00	45.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Berea	100.00	10.00	90.00	14.35	.....	1.60	.....	5.90	8.00	12.00	6.
Big Ivy	600.00	10,000.00	20.00	165.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Black Mountain	705.56	250.00	124.95	54.33	5.00	5.00	2.00	26.51	136.35	75.00	3.
Black Mountain (North)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Brown's Chapel	100.00	150.00	10.00	15.00	12.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Chestnut Grove	150.00	.....	.....	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Craggy	60.00	35.00	.....	53.41	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Elk Mountain	88.50	185.00	60.00	60.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Emma's Grove	124.72	.....	.....	37.16	14.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Fairview	800.00	.....	50.00	35.00	50.00	2.00	.....	32.16	13.20	18.14	10.
Flat Creek	143.65	13.00	24.79	12.30	11.40	2.50	.....	24.48	15.00	15.00	2.
Gash's Creek	200.00	.....	68.15	30.00	10.00	2.00	.....	10.26	19.81	20.00	....
Hominy	240.00	.....	30.00	16.90	.....	2.00	.....	20.00	20.00	20.00	3.
Inanda	53.00	.....	30.00	10.00	12.00	.....	.....	.....	2.50	2.50	....
Jupiter	200.00	.....	25.00	10.00	25.00	2.00	.....	5.00	10.00	10.00	1.
Liberty	144.00	71.96	23.05	24.67	.....	1.00	.....	5.00	10.00	5.00	1.
Macedona	90.00	.....	.....	2.00	4.19	.....	.....	5.18	7.50	5.00	....
Morgan Hill	400.00	.....	3.00	5.00	4.00	2.25	.....	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.
Mountain View	100.00	688.00	.....	4.80	.....	3.00	.....	.....	10.00	5.00	....
Mt. Carmel	480.00	2.00	.....	59.96	.....	1.50	.....	5.00	10.00	10.00	....
Mt. Olive	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
New Morgan Hill	60.00	113.80	.....	25.00	.....	1.00	.....	28.00	10.00	14.00	....
New Bridge	384.00	2,435.09	36.98	62.48	6.10	4.00	.....	24.66	10.00	55.00	13.
Pleasant Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Pleasant Hill	40.00	84.13	12.00	11.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Reed's Chapel	114.64	85.50	21.60	30.00	4.10	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Ridgeway	180.00	.....	11.32	39.87	10.00	2.00	.....	11.80	11.50	11.50	6.
Ridgecrest	231.14	26.40	20.00	25.00	29.30	1.00	.....	18.00	60.60	98.95	9.
Swannanoa	100.00	.....	20.00	16.90	.....	2.00	.....	7.00	.....	.....	....
Spring Mountain	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
White Rock	122.00	.....	4.50	35.90	12.75	1.00	.....	.....	9.00	12.00	....
Wilkey	50.00	.....	.....	8.74	.....	1.30	.....	3.60	1.00	40	....
Totals	$18,277.83	$21,497.71	$5,107.03	$2,538.35	$810.35	$99.15	$877.00	$2,283.16	$4,522.89	$3,683.40	$296.

TABLE III---SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	SUPERINTENDENT	POST-OFFICE	SECRETARY	POST-OFFICE	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachhers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Kept Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses
Asheville, First	C. S. Davis	Asheville	Lee Ownby	Asheville	2	52	604	656		10		$504 44
Asheville, Calvary	W. E. Howard	West Asheville	Geo. H. Starnes	West Asheville	1	24	230	254	153	12	22	237 31
Asheville, Fr. Broad	G, D. Carter	West Asheville	Ada Beck	West Asheville	1	14	200	214		12	10	368 19
Asheville, North					1	14	130	144	45	12	0	109 73
Asheville, Riverside	J. R. Watkins	Asheville R 4	Grace Watkins	Asheville R 4	1	9	125	134	40	12	5	68 53
Asheville, West End	Burgan Pennell	Asheville R 4	Bynum Jackson	West Asheville R 4	1	15	135	150	85	12	8	113 61
Asheville, Biltmore	Sam Davis	Biltmore			1	11	139	150		12		125 84
Antioch	T. J. Carter	Democrat			1	7	65	72		12		16 41
Avery's Creek												
Beaverdam	Chas. Carter	Asheville R 1	Neta Cole	Asheville R 1	1	9	82	91	31	12	2	38 65
Bent Creek												
Berea	C. V. Shope	Swannanoa R 1	Camie Shope	Swannanoa R 1	1	8	50	58	20	12	3	14 35
Big Ivy	J. V. Foister	Barnardsville	Clara Phillips	Barnardsville	1	9	85	94		12		
Black Mt. (South)	Joseph Kinsey	Black Mt	C. B. Allen	Black Mt.	1	12	130	142	75	12	20	54 33
Black Mt. (North)	No report											
Brown's Chapel	Avery Ingle	Beech	Helen Jenkin	Beech	1	9	70	79		12		15 00
Chestnut Grove	N. E. Brigman	Dillingham	Viola Riddle	Dillingham	1	7	75	82	25	12		30 00
Craggy	Doc. Ingle	Asheville R 5	D. L. Tate R 4	Asheville R 4	1	6	100	106	37	12		53 41
Elk Mountain	J. G. McElrath	Asheville R 5	T. W. Corn	Asheville R 5	1	7	62	69	25	12		60 20
Emma's Grove	E. M. Ownby	Fletcher R 2	W. W. Gilyean	Fletcher R 2	1	8	60	68	22	12		36 16
Fair View	J. R. Grant	Fair View	Porter Freeman	Fairview	3	23	185	208	150	12	6	35 00
Flat Creek	J. E. Chandler	Weaverville	Vinetta Williams	Weaverville	1	10	60	70	41	12	0	12 30
Gash's Creek	T. J. Ingle	Azalea	T. A. Wilkeson	Biltmore	1	7	65	72	35	12	0	20 00
Hominy	J. G. Roberson	Candler	W. T. Clark	Candler	1	7	60	67	30	12	0	16 90
Inanda	E. W. Brown	Candler R 2	E. M. Levi	Candler	1			80				10 00
Jupiter	T. L. Roberts	Weaverville	Lula Williams	Alexander	1	7	50	57	30	12	0	10 00
Liberty	W. W. Green	Candler	L. C. Holcom	Candler	1	9	51	60	14	12	0	24 67
Macedonia	H. M. Buckner	Asheville	Frank Buckner	Asheville	1	6	69	75				
Morgan Hill	J. S. Ball	Stocksville	V. C. Beachboard	Stocksville	1	8	65	73	50	12	24	5 00
Mountain View	A. Riddle	Black Mt.	Grace Walker	Black Mountain	1	6	35	41	11	12		
Mt. Carmel	S. B. Robertson	Asheville R 4	L. P. Brookshire	Asheville R 4	1	10	100	110	75	12	0	59 96
Mt. Olive	No report											
New Morgan Hill	L. R. Fox	Candler	Owen Morgan	Candler	1	7	40	47	0	12		25 00
New Bridge	M. A. Lominac	Asheville R 5	Ida Hensly	Asheville R 5	1	10	70	80	30	12		65 48
Pleasant Grove	No report											
Pleasant Hill	G. E. Silvers	Asheville R 5	Arthur Edmons	Asheville R 5	1	6	35	41	15	6	0	11 00
Reed's Chapel	J. J. Harris	Biltmore	L. C. Wolfe	Biltmore	1	6	95	102	20	12	5	30 00
Ridgeway	O. H. Winchester	Candler R 3	R. E. Morgan R 3	Candler R 3	1	10	104	114	40	12	1	39 87
Ridgecrest	Rachel C. Sims	Ridgecrest	Mrs. J. T. Harris	Ridgecrest	2	13	560	573		12	9	25 00
Swannanoa	L. B. Buchanan	Swannanoa	Roy Mann	Swannanoa	1	8	62	70	35	12	0	16 90
Spring Mountain	No report											
White Rock	L. D. Knighting	Candler	Maude Peoples	Candler	1	12	70	82	50	12	0	8 74
Wilkey	R. H. Flynn	Black Mt.	Daisy M. Garrison	Black Mt.	1	4	51	55				35 90
					41	390	4169	4640	1184		115	$2337 88

TABLE IV---WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCH	NAME OF ORGANIZATION	PRESIDENT and POSTOFFICE	Number of Members	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Church Bldg. Loan Fund	Christian Education and Training School
Antioch	W. M. S.	Mrs. Mattie Hensley, Democrat	21	$	$ 5 00	$ 18 50	$ 3 00	$ .....
Asheville, First	W. M. S.	Mrs. Julia Burdick, Asheville	294	325 72	1490 86	628 85	378 10	388 37
Beaverdam	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. E. Carter, Asheville, R. 1	12	18 50	37 50	41 25	515 00	116 00
Berea	W. M. S.	Mrs. Harriet Stokes, Swannanoa	11	95	2 00	.....	.....	.....
Biltmore	W. M. S.	Mrs. W. B. Frady, Biltmore	24	.....	15 00	15 00	.....	30 00
Big Ivy	W. M. S.	Mrs. N. B. Phillips, Barnardsville	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Calvary	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. M. Ledford, West Asheville	59	28 00	117 38	30 70	215 00	46 75
Fairview	W. M. S.	Mrs. P. O. Freeman, Fairview	15	12 16	13 20	17 14	10 00	15 00
French Broad Ave.	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. A. Klutz, Asheville	46	12 97	62 00	32 00	20 10	165 00
Flat Creek	W. M. S.	Miss Sue Chandler, Weaverville, R. 1	11	3 07	2 05	2 50	2 00	5 00
Hominy	W. M. S.	Mrs. Mary Clark, Candler	12	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	32 50
Jupiter	W. M. S.	Mrs. L. L. Roberts, Weaverville	10	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....
New Bridge	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. R. Baird, Asheville	18	3 00	10 00	30 00	12 00	.....
North Asheville	W. M. S.	Mrs. Turner, Asheville	13	2 75	3 30	13 65	10 00	86 55
Ridgecrest	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. J. Biggers, Ridgecrest	12	13 00	27 00	25 00	25 00	155 00
Riverside	W. M. S.	Miss Alice Hough, Asheville	12	.....	2 00	8 50	5 00	.....
South Black Mtn.	W. M. S.	Mrs. Pendergrass, Black Mountain	20	.....	8 00	15 30	16 55	78 00
West End	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. E. Garten, Asheville	10	.....	1 00	.....	.....	130 00
White Rock	W. M. S.	Mrs. L. D. Knighten, Candler, R. 1	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Asheville, First	Y. W. A.	Miss Thelma Williams, Asheville	18	9 05	18 53	11 00	6 50	.....
Calvary	Y. W. A.	Miss Lottie Stroup, West Asheville	16	.....	1 00	.....	5 50	.....
Fairview	Y. W. A.	Miss Beatrice McCracken, Fairview	10	2 16	1 45	3 50	.....	.....
French Broad Ave.	Y. W. A.	Miss Fannie Davis, Asheville	20	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....
South Black Mtn.	Y. W. A.	Mrs. I. J. Cook, Black Mountain	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
French Broad Ave.	G. A.	Pauline Waddell, Asheville	10	2 60	.....	3 60	69	.....
South Black Mtn.	G. A.	Kathleen Shaw, Black Mountain	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Asheville, First	R. Amb.	.....	...	12 00	17 06	11 12	5 00	26 84
Calvary	R. Amb.	Mrs. Vernon Ingle, West Asheville	12	.....	90	.....	.....	.....
Fairview	R. Amb.	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ridgecrest	R. Amb.	Mrs. J. R. Pace, Ridgecrest	9	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....
South Black Mtn.	R. Amb.	Mr. N. D. Wells, Black Mountain	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Asheville, First	Sunbeams	.....	...	5 59	15 49	8 88	5 00	27 57
Antioch	Sunbeams	Mrs. Margaret Garrison, Democrat	20	.....	.....	40	.....	.....
Calvary	Sunbeams	Mrs. J. F. Spivey, West Asheville	70	1 65	8 00	64	7 00	.....
Fairview	Sunbeams	Mrs. J. L. Ashworth, Fairview	10	1 50	1 75	2 64	.....	.....
French Broad Ave.	Sunbeams	Miss Vidie Welfley, Asheville	30	50	1 05	.....	50	.....
New Bridge	Sunbeams	Mrs. J. R. Baird, Asheville	30	.....	3 00	10 00	.....	.....
South Black Mtn.	Sunbeams	Mrs. James Justice, Black Mountain	9	.....	50	.....	.....	2 00
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OFFICERS

J. B. Grice, Moderator.
J. W. Vesey, Vice Moderator.
J. M. Justice, Clerk.
G. G. Morgan, Treasurer.
Benjamin Sorgee, Associate Clerk.
Dr. A. E. Brown, Historian.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

E. E. WHEELER G. D. CARTER A. W. RYMER
All officers of Association.
All Pastbrs are Associate members.

PLACE OF MEETING

First Baptist Church, Asheville. Time—Monthly, at 11:00 A. M., after second Sunday and on special call.

INTRODUCTORY SERMON 1921—Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald. Place—Morgan Hill. Time—Aug. 9-10.

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES

Brown, Dr. A. E.....Asheville
Bradley, W. T.....Stocksville
Blackburn, C. S.....Fairview
Bennett, J. C.....Asheville
Crow, J. W.....West Asheville
Cleveland, W. C.....Arden
Clark, L. S.....Candler
Creel, R. L.....West Asheville
Dupree, J. E.....Candler
Edwards, F. C.....Asheville
Edwards, W. L.....Democrat
Fitzgerald, W. H.....Candler
Gentry, J. J.....Asheville
Grice, J. B.....West Asheville
Hensley, S. T.....Biltmore
Hipps, R. H.....Asheville
Hunnicutt, W. A.....Black Mountain
Hooker, W. H.....Asheville
Hutchinson, C. O.....Asheville
Haynes, W.....Asheville, R. 1
Justice, J. M.....Black Mountain
Ingle, E. J.....Asheville
Israel, L. Y.....Candler
Kuykendall, W. J.....Candler
McFalls, W. T.....Candler
Moss, W. R.....Candler, R. 4
Miller, H. D.....Marshall
Miller, C. A.....Black Mountain
Moore, S. F.....Fairview
Morgan, E. J.....Candler
Powell, Dr. W. F.....Asheville
Phillips, N. B.....Barnardsville
Parham, S. .....Barnardsville
Pickens, J. M.....Alexander
Proffit, M. S.....Democrat
Plemmons, James .....Candler
Redmond, G. R.....Biltmore, R. 3
Sluder, M. M. .....Asheville, R. 4
Spilman, Dr. B. W.....Ridgecrest

Sorgee, Benjamin ---------- Asheville
Sprinkle, W. B ---------- Asheville, R. 4
Vesey, J. W ---------- Asheville
Woodall, W. H ---------- Asheville
Wade, J. H. ---------- Asheville, R. 5
Williams, W. W ---------- Asheville

PROCEEDINGS

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FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Thirty-ninth Annual Session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association was held with the Black Mountain Baptist Church, August 10th and 11th, 1920.

The Moderator, Rev. J. B. Grice, called the association to order at 9:15 A. M., and led us in a brief devotional service.

Letters were called for and read, there being 95 delegates present.

ROLL OF DELEGATES

The following were enrolled as messengers:

Asheville First—W. F. Powell, J. J. Gentry, J. T. Justice, Mrs. J. T. Justice, Mrs. W. W. Young, Mrs. George B. Morgan, Vonnie Jackson, Mrs. W. W. Britt, Miss Capitola Craig, W. C. McConnell, Mrs. J. J. Gentry, Mrs. F. Stikeleather, Mrs. E. B. Moore, Mrs. A. E. Perry, W. O. Riddick, R. H. Hipps, Roland M. James, E. E. Wheeler.

Asheville, Calvary—J. B. Grice, Miss Annie Logan, M. W. Hamrick, Mrs. J. W. Crow, George L. Self, G. G. Morgan, Mrs. G. G. Morgan.

Asheville, French Broad—J. W. Vesey, G. D. Carter, Mrs. J. W. Vesey, M. G. Loftin, Amy Carter, R. B. Sams, Mrs. J. A. Groves, Pearl Sams.

Asheville, North—Benj. Sorgee, Mrs. G. B. Turner, Miss Ollie Arington, Miss Ida Haynes, Miss Tessie Turner, Mrs. F. W. Thorne.

Asheville, West End—W. W. Williams, McKinley Edwards, Miss A. W. Green, Miss Mabel Candler, Mrs. M. H. Worley.

Antioch—W. T. Bradley, J. H. Woodward, Mary T. Carter, Ora Burlison, S. Lee Garrison, R. M. McMahon.

Beaverdam—James Allen, Mrs. James Allen, E. P. Stradley, Mrs. C. E. Carter.

Biltmore—S. T. Hensley, W. M. Howell, P. P. Spain, J. F. Denton, W. B. Hemphill, Mary Miller, Mabel Davis, Juanita Brevard.

Berea—J. A. Cordell, Mrs. J. A. Cordell, W .M. Whisenhunt.

Big Ivy—Gay Whitaker, O. F. Blankenship.

Black Mountain—N. D. Wells, D. E. Walker, L. B. Hudgins, P. S. Glenn, Mrs. P. S. Glenn, Mrs. E. W. Queen, John Ingle, Mrs. J. M. Justice, J. M. Justice, H. G. Allen.

Brown's Chapel—S. A. Bradley, Curtis Lunsford.

Chestnut Grove—H. V. Hensley, Mrs. G. T. Campbell, M. R. Hensley.

Chunn's Cove—T. B. Creasman.

Fairview—J. L. Ashworth, W. A. Merrell.

Flat Creek—J. K. Robinson, Lonnie Robinson, Wesley Rice, E. Rice, J. M. Doan.

Gashe's Creek—C. D. Goldsmith, W. L. Hart, Mrs. W. L. Hart, E. J. Ingle, W. J. Goldsmith, Miss Bessie Hogan, Miss Thelma Hart, Miss Annie Hogan, Glovine Hart.

Hominy—J. E. Dupree, Mrs. J. E. Dupree.

Inanda—E. M. Levi.

Jupiter—Barnett Williams, Lula Williams.

Liberty—W. L. Hyatte, Marjorie Green.

Mt. Carmel—Jessie Rymer, D. E. Ramsey.

Mt. Olive—J. C. Bennett, R. A. Stewart, M. A. Stewart.

Mountain View—C. A. Miller, Miss Grace Walker, J. T. Morris.

Morgan Hill—James N. Morgan.

Macedonia—J. G. Rymer.

New Bridge—W. H. Fitzgerald, Mrs. J. R. Baird, Miss Ruth Baird, A. W. Rymer, R. D. Buckner.

Pleasant Hill—W. R. Moss, G. T. Silvers.

Pole Creek—W. A. Shope.

Riverside—W. R. Moss.

Reed's Chapel—Joe Goforth, Mrs. Carl Wolfe, Mrs. Isabella Davidson, Mrs. A. A. Long.

Ridgeway—Roy Robinson, Mary Winchester.

Swannanoa—L. B. Buchanan, Mrs. G. A. Mann, J. A. Spoorlen.

White Rock—L. W. Peebles, Mrs. Peebles, Maud Peebles.

Wilkie—W. A. B. Garrison, Miss Daisy Garrison.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Moderator—J. B. Grice.

Vice-Moderator—J. W. Vesey.

Clerk—J. M. Justice.

Associate Clerk—Benj. Sorgee.
Treasurer—G. G. Morgan.
Historian—Dr. A. E. Brown.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED FOR 1921

Periodicals—Rev. Wayne W. Williams, G. L. Self.
Education—McKinley Edwards, Edward J. Ingle.
Sunday Schools—N. D. Wells, M. W. Hamrick.
State Missions—W. H. Fitzgerald, E. P. Stradley.
Home Missions—Rev. J. E. Dupree, S. T. Hensley.
Foreign Missions—J. M. Justice, Dr. W. F. Powell.
Laymen's Movement—W. O. Riddick, L. B. Hudgins.
Orphanage—James N. Morgan, R. H. Hipps.
Temperance—G. D. Carter, J. H. Woodward.
State of Churches—W. C. McConnell, Rev. W. T. Bradley.
Woman's Work—Mrs. J. R. Baird, J. C. Bennett.
B. Y. P. U.—G. G. Morgan, Benj. Sorgee.
Nominations—J. W. Vesey, W. L. Harte, D. E. Walker.
Apportionment Committee—C. D. Goldsmith, W. O. Riddick, J. G. Rymer.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

E. E. Wheeler.
G. D. Carter.
A. W. Rymer.
Messenger to Southern Baptist Convention—Rev. J. E. Dupree.
Messenger to N. C. State Convention—J. M. Justice.
Members of State Mission Board—Dr. A. E. Brown.

VISITORS RECOGNIZED

During the Association the following visitors were recognized: Dr. W. N. Johnson, of Raleigh; Dr. H. M. Poteat, of Wake Forest; Mr. F. B. Hamrick, of Thomasville; Dr. J. R. Saunders, Dr. J. B. Hipps and Bro. T. C. Britton, of China; Dr. W. E. Entzminger, of Rio, Brazil; Rev. H. D. Higgins, of Philadelphia; Rev. W. H. Moore, of Greenville, N. C.

NEW PASTORS WELCOMED

Dr. W. F. Powell presented to the Association the following new pastors:

W. H. Fitzgerald, of New Bridge and Beaverdam churches.

Wayne W. Williams, of West End, Asheville.

Edward J. Ingle, of Gashe's Creek.

J. E. Dupree, of Hominy, Ridgeway and White Rock Churches.

INTRODUCTORY SERMON AT 11:30 A. M.

By Rev. S. T. Hensley. Text, Isaiah 52:1.

AFTERNOON SESSION—TUESDAY

Devotional period led by Rev. W. W. Williams and McKinley Edwards. Edward J. Ingle followed with report on Christian Education. Dr. Hubert M. Poteat, Professor of the Chair of Latin in Wake Forest College, spoke to the report. On motion the report was adopted, and follows:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

We are living in the greatest age the world has ever witnessed. We are living in one of the greatest countries that has ever existed. If we are to maintain this standard and give the world men and women to cope with this age, we must give it men and women of intelligence. This intelligence must be based upon the principles of Christianity.

The Christian world can not turn to the world and ask them to educate the leaders. We have seen what kind of an education the world gave men by the German Empire. This was an empire of the most learned men of the age. Germany made this one thing a curse not only to herself but to all mankind. It is not the purpose of the state institutions to train our young men and women religiously. This task is left to the Christian people.

The denominations have heard the call and are answering it. Every denomination has its respective schools. The Baptists have the largest and best system of schools among them.

In our system of mountain schools there are thirty-four in number. These schools are scattered over seven different states. During the school year of 1918-1919 these schools enrolled 5,065 students. Our teachers at these schools are of the finest type of manhood. These number 199. The religious atmosphere at these schools is fine. During the year just mentioned there were 244 conversions. These schools are constantly training young men and young women and along with these they are training preachers and missionaries. During this year there were 103 ministerial students enrolled.

It is the purpose of these schools to fit men and women for life's great tasks. They prepare their students to make good home makers, reliable citizens, efficient farmers, and last but not least good church workers. Before one can graduate from these schools, he must have a course in Bible. This course embraces a study of the New Normal Manual, Winning to Christ and Studies in the Old and New Testament.

These schools have done a wonderful work since their founding. They have sent out men into every walk of usefulness. Since their establishment they have sent out 300 preachers, 225 doctors, 30 trained nurses, 30 missionaries, 2,500 public school teachers, 3,000 farmers, 900 merchants, 40 workers in banks and 18 as members of state legislatures.

There are some who can not enter these schools because they

are not able financially. They are eager and have a longing for an education. They are willing to work at any honorable work to obtain an education. To those at home the education of the Bible, in a great part, is left to the preacher. They must let the people know why they are Baptist and the doctrines on which they stand. They must let them know they are Baptists because they believe in the teachings of the Bible and not by heritage.

We as an association recommend the following schools to our members: Mars Hill College, Fruitland and Haywood Institute for high school training and Wake Forest College for young men and Meredith College for young women in college work.

The report on Associational Missions, comprising the Executive Committee's Report and the Treasurer's Report were read by W. O. Riddick. The report on B. Y. P. U. work was then read by J. W. Vesey. Following him, Bro. W. R. Moss read the report on Sunday Schools. The report of the Executive Committee, or Board, was discussed by W. O. Riddick, J. P. Bennett and Benj. Sorgee. G. G. Morgan spoke to the B. Y. P. U. report. The above reports were adopted and follow:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 1919-20.

Your Executive Committee organized immediately after the meeting of the last association by electing W. O. Riddick, president; J. W. Vesey, vice president; A. E. Brown, secretary; G. D. Carter, treasurer.

The great work before the churches of the association last year was to secure our part of the $75,000,000 being raised by the Southern Baptist Convention. After full and free conference over this matter it was decided by the Executive Committee that Enlistment Worker, J. J. Gentry, should give his time largely to organizing and prosecuting the effort to secure subscriptions covering the apportionment of the churches of our association.

Brother Gentry gave himself diligently to the work and the results showed the wisdom of the plan.

One of the notable things carried out in preparation for the Campaign was a Training School conducted in the First Church at Asheville for one month. Brother Gentry gave himself to the organization and detail work of the training school. This training school brought into our midst denominational leaders from all over Western North Carolina, and as a result of the effort of our Enlistment man, and the training received at this school, the campaign for the $75,000,000 was a glorious success so far as our mountain churches are concerned. Scores of them for the first time in their history planned to do systematic giving for missions, education and other benevolence. Thousands of individual members were reached and subscriptions secured. This will mean much, both to the individuals and the churches in the future. In fact, our churches never can be the same after the great experience of thinking and praying and giving we went through last fall.

After the completion of the Campaign the Executive Committee instructed the Enlistment Worker to enter into co-operation with the pastors in the various fields and work with them in putting on an every member canvass in their churches and in other ways helping them to perfect an organization. Brother Gentry has given himself to this, and his report will show the results.

Another thing which was accomplished through the efforts of

the Executive Committee was the organization of a Sunday-School Convention for the Baptist churches of the whole county. This organization was affected at the Calvary Baptist Church in Asheville on May the 31st. We hope that the association will arrange time for the discussion of ways and means of making this Sunday School Convention meet the increasing demands upon our Sunday Schools. We would suggest that you discuss the Sunday school Convention rather than the subject of Sunday Schools, at this time, since the Sunday School Convention itself will afford time that the association cannot give to the discussion of the Sunday School work.

The Executive Committee desires to express its appreciation of the generosity of the State Mission Board in assisting in the support of pastors on the following fields: Newbridge, Black Mountain field, Swannannoa field, Hominy field, North Asheville church, and a generous donation to the building fund of the Pole Creek Baptist church.

Since the first of January the Executive Committee has met monthly in order to keep in closer touch with the work being done in the association. These meetings have been well attended by the pastors and many of the business men of Asheville, and have resulted in a clearer knowledge of the needs in the county.

We suggest that the association authorize the Executive Committee to use the Enlistment Worker and such other forces as are necessary in pressing collections on the collections on the $75,000,-000 pledges.

We submit herewith the report of our Enlistment Worker, J. J. Gentry, which speaks for itself.

REPORT OF BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLES UNIONS OF BUNCOMBE ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR 1919 AND 1920.

The B. Y. P. U's of the association are very greatly on the alert and boom. The year preceeding, we did not do what we should because of the stir and seeming unrest and dissatisfaction which existed.

For the past year the young people of the Baptist denomination have waked up and gone to work. The churches which had Unions have organized new ones and the stronger ones have helped the weaker ones to strengthen themselves.

During the seventy-five million dollar drive the young people helped to make it a success. They worked every time any anywhere asked to help. Many times they did not wait to be asked, but started different branches of the work themselves. Working was not all, they held prayer meetings praying for the success of the great campaign. When the day came for the winding up of the campaign, they made their pledges. The pledges were not small ones, but amounts which would mean sacrifice of pleasure in many cases, to meet them. They were not only pledges, but have been very generally paid up.

The young people of the Buncombe association are a wide awake young people and before the coming year has closed the denomination will be proud of them. There are new Unions being formed both senior and junior throughout the Association.

The different Unions of the Association are taking up definite work, such as helping charity organizations, private families who are in need, furnishing a room in the Baptist Bible Institute at New Orleans, holding prayer meeting with the sick of the county and city.

We, the Young People of this Association, plead for the cooperation and help of the Senior church members. We need your

help and prayers that we may be a success and help in the church, and an effective factor in the coming of the Kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ.

REPORT SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Sunday Schools tend to direct increasing attention to the Bible, to elevatet the ministry, to train young ministers, to build up churches in destitute places, to foster a missionary spirit, and to increase both our capacity and willingness for every good work. That the subject comes fairly within the range of the constitution and accord with the design of the convention is unquestionable.

The Sunday School is one of the most important agencies of the church. You can usually tell what kind of a church a community has by its Sunday School. It is necessary that the Bible be taught to men, women and children; and there is no better place to teach it than in the Sunday School. One of the very greatest needs in the Sunday School is more efficient teachers. The greater part of the teaching some children receive is what they get in the Sunday School, and when we stop to think of the number of hours each year they are taught we would be more careful to secure the very best teachers. If the child or any one else goes to Sunday School every Sunday in the year they have had only about twenty-six hours teaching or training in the Sunday School, hence the importance of trained teachers.

Our Sunday Schools have made marked progress during the past years and yet they are far from what they should be. They cannot reach what they should reach until our teachers have taken advantage of the various courses which are offered to them by the Sunday School Board. This Bible training course is being taught in our denominational schools, and the young men and women who are in these schools are going back to their churches with a vision that is far reaching, and they are helping in a very great way to enlarge the Sunday School. One of the greatest needs of the day is the enlistment of those who are not in the Sunday School. When we have enlisted those who are not in the Sunday school, and have wide awake teachers to teach them, then we have in part solved the problem. The teacher that succeeds is the teacher that comes before his class every Sunday morning with a burning message from the heart.

As the years roll by some of the leading members of the Sunday School are continually dropping out, which leaves a vacant place for some young man or women to fill. This being true the boys and girls must have the proper training while they are in the Sunday School.

The Sunday School is a direct path which leads into the Church. When you find a Sunday Schools worker you can depend on him for his part in the church. In fact I believe that the majority of the church workers started their work for the Master in the Sunday School. Then since the church is dependent on the Sunday School for its help we should be very careful in training the young people.

First, the selection of officers and teachers for the Sunday School be made with great care. They should be the best Christian men and women in the community, they should be ideal characters living lives that will influence the people for good.

The teachers should understand how to teach the students in an interesting way, do all they can to make them consider it a joy to attend Sunday School, introduce and formulate plans that will cause them to study harder and strive to be present every Sunday.

Your committee would urge that we co-operate with Bro. Mid-

dleton, the State Sunday School Secretary, and plan for a number of Sunday School Institutes during the coming year.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

Read by J. M. Justice and discussed by J. J. Gentry and Miss Annie L. Logan. Report was adopted and follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S WORK.

"Call unto me and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not." These words were used as the basis of a soul thrilling sermon preached by Dr. Scarborough when plans were beginning to be put in operation for the 75 Million Campaign and when the call to prayer had gone out to all Baptists in the Southland.

We know how earnestly our people responded to the call of God during this great campaign year as they went out singly, in groups and in great companies. And His answer has been no less ready in that He has caused us to see the great and mighty things that lie within our power when it is strengthened by His great power.

At the close of the 75 Million Campaign the women of 88 per cent of the churches, or 36 out of 42 churches reported a total of pledges amounting to $95,790.88, or nearly 2 1-2 times over apportionment. There were organized during the year the following new societies:

W. M. S.	13
Y. W. A's	1
G. A's	3
Sunbeams	3
Total	20

On these two points, through the efficient and effective services of our superintendent, Miss Annie Logan, and our young peoples' secretary, Mrs. C. A. Klutz, together with the hearty co-operation of our beloved women, our association won the Victory Banner.

Our organizations number:

U. M. S.	31
Y. W. A's	7
G. A's	6
R. A's	5
Sunbeam Bands	11
Total	60

This represents a membership of 1,048.

For a number of years great stress has been placed on Mission Study. We feel, unless our women study and know about the work, we will not attain the standard set for us by Christ the first missionary. During the past year there have been 28 study classes held, 55 study certificates given and 6 union seals, these being the only 6 in North Carolina.

Our subscriptions to mission magazines are as follows:

Royal Service	110
Home and Foreign Field	155
Biblical Recorder	112
Total	377

Fourteen organizations observed the special seasons of prayer during the campaign. The contributions for campaign objects total $9,376.76; other objects $686.00; total $10,062.76.

We desire to extend our heartfelt thanks to Association Director, Rev. J. J. Gentry, for the untiring services rendered us, and to the noble laymen and pastors in sending out women speakers during the campaign.

This year has been in epoch-making period in the history of Southern Baptists. The work will not again be on the same basis. Together, with God as leader, we have climbed the mountain peaks, and there have caught visions that will forever make us dissatisfied with valley experiences.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

PERIODICALS.

One of the greatest influences of today is periodical literature. Our young people are made and moulded by the papers, books and other literature they find in our homes. To increase the present knowledge of what Baptists stand for and the Bible means the growth and development of our denomination, we have three periodical publications.

The Biblical Recorder, which is ably edited and carries weekly not only church news of State and Nation, but scores of religious articles of worth and deep power written by our strongest men. The presence of the Recorder in our homes means better reading desires, higher ideals and deeper Christian living.

The Home and Foreign Field devotes its pages to missions and mission teaching. Only the Bible teaches self and life's sacrifice more strongly than this publication. It is positively indispensable in homes where there are young and old who will read.

Charity and Children is the organ of our orphanage. It is ably edited with catchy articles and stories for children. Every child in North Carolina ought to read it every week. It carries all the news of the orphanage and all work of that nature.

Your committee recommends that every home in the Association have all three of these publications on their library table.

EVENING SESSION—TUESDAY.

Devotional period led by Rev. W. R. Moss.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

Read by Benj. Sorgee and discussed by W. H. Fitzgerald, F. B. Hamrick, W. J. Goldsmith, J. M. Justice. Report was adopted and follows:

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

Number of children at Thomasville 440; number of children at Kennedy Home 87; total	527
Children received since Nov. 15, 1885	1,970
Monthly cost for support of each child	$16.43
Monthly cost per child six years ago	8.35
Annual cost per child	197.14
Farm products made and consumed	9,457.95
Dairy products made and consumed	21,565.59
Number applications during past year	667
Number received	69
Profit from Kennedy Home Farm	$5,065.63
Profit from "Charity and Children"	7,910.01
Total assets of the institution	$535,467.84

The above figures are taken from the thirty-fifth annual report, ending June 1, 1920. According to this same report it would appear that all departments of the orphanage work are well organized and managed in the most economical way possible.

There are thirty-seven women and twelve men who devote all their time to the orphanage, and for less money than they could get elsewhere for like services. We owe a great debt of gratitude to this group of self-sacrificing men and women.

We are glad to note that the health has been good during the last year, only one death having been reported from the institution.

Ours is the largest orphanage in the State, a great institution, with doors open continually, and yet we must note the sad fact that we are forced to turn away about ninety per cent of all the applicants begging for admission, for lack of room.

The terrible epidemic that swept our country during the last two years, has left homeless so many that the need of enlargement is greater than ever before. Can we enlarge our vision to the growing need?

We of the Buncombe Association have not for years, if ever, paid enough to the institution to defray the actual cost of the children there from our association. We hope that our 75 Million Campaign has put us over this year.

Let us encourage systematic giving and urge our people to make a great Thanksgiving offering this year.

DISCUSSION ON TEMPERANCE AND PROHIBITION

The subject of the Prohibition Law Enforcement was warmly discussed by J. M. Justice, E. J. Ingle, J. W. Vesey, F. B. Hamrick, J. N. Morgan, A. V. Hensley.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The enactment by Congress of the Prohibition Amendment to our Constitution has been a great blessing to our Country. It is a measure for which every true American citizen should be profoundly grateful. Through its passage, disease, death, misery, and crime have been greatly lessened. Because of the decrease of crime in many of our cities the jails in these cities have either been closed up, or turned into more useful purposes.

But although this Amendment has been passed by Congress; and although it has been a boon and a blessing to humanity at large, and to mothers and children and homes in particular, the fight for the suppression of intoxicating liquors is still on. Evil men in all ages have energetically fostered their evil enterprises, if thereby they could get gain. The evil men of today are no exception to this rule. There are many now who are secretly manufacturing and selling intoxicating liquors for the sake of the large revenue it brings.

We feel that it should be the sense of this Association that we express our approval of every worthy effort to secure the enforcement of the law against the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. It is our further conviction that this Association should endorse the Buncombe County Prohibition Law Enforcement League. We would urge upon all our Baptist people that they continue to fight strong drink as a beverage.

Respectfully submitted,
BENJ. SORGEE,
WM. H. FITZGERALD.

It was unanimously voted that the Buncombe County Baptist Association go on record as heartily in favor of the Buncombe County Prohibition Law Enforcement League and that the various local churches assist it in any way they may be able.

MORNING SESSION—WEDNESDAY.

Devotional period was led by Bro. W. T. Bradley. Reports were read as follows: State Missions, J. W. Vesey; Home Missions, Benj. Sorgee; Foreign Missions, R. H. Hipps.

Dr. Walter N. Johnson, our Secretary of the State Mission board, delivered a masterful and most helpful address on his work. He was followed by Dr. W. E. Entzminger, of Rio, Brazil, on our missionary work in that great republic. The last address of the morning was by Dr. J. R. Saunders, one of our missionaries to China. All of these addresses were informing and inspirational.

After the discussion of the reports on all missions, each report was adopted as they follow:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Our Lord in issuing the great commission made no distinction, but said, "All the world." We for convenience and to designate have divided the work into three divisions; State, Home and Foreign Missions. State missions brings the work to our very door, so those who cannot see afar off may know just what is being done at home to carry out our Lord's command and help save the lost of our State. Many weak churches are given financial aid until they are self supporting, thus helping them to have regular preaching, care for the spiritual welfare of their community and win lost souls to Christ.

Our receipts for last year were gratifying, and for the first time in the history of our State Convention our secretary did not

have to borrow money to pay the missionaries.

Some data regarding past year's work:

Amount received	$74,066.20
Number of missionaries	170
Churches served	242
Conversions reported	1,478
Baptisms	1,012
Churches organized	10
Church houses erected	30

Let us push the work more vigorously until the gospel of salvation may resound from every mountain peak of our State, until "The earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea."

"If you cannot cross the ocean,
And the heathen land explore
You can find the heathen nearer,
You can help him at your door."

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Southern Baptists have in their Home Mission Board in Atlanta, Ga., an agency for setting forward the Kingdom of which they may well be proud. Our great country has been founded upon religious principles, and the only spirit that may be trusted to safeguard these principles is that of Christian patriotism.

Let me quote a few paragraphs from some of the recent literature of this Board:

"Following the World War and in the midst of Reconstruction problems, thousands of our people have made a new dedication of themselves to this Christian Americanism, and in no section more than in the South, where the largest proportion of native Americans reside. They purpose to safeguard American liberties by safeguarding that faith which alone made those liberties possible, and to keep lighted in America a beacon of liberty which shall shine out across the seas to cheer and bless peoples who group in darkness.

Christian Americanism is the work of Home Missions, which by bringing men to Christ, creates that righteousness that exalteth a nation. Our Baptist Home Mission Board is the out-standing agency of Southern Baptists for making America Christian. It has a great record of successful service, but is now entering on a time of even larger opportunity and need.

In 1919 the missionaries of our Board baptized one convert for every three received into our churches. Regularly they baptize from twenty to twenty-five per cent as many converts as the entire number who enter our churches. For fifteen years its evangelists have averaged 450 baptisms per year per worker, a record far out-stripping that of any other similar agency. Its system of Mountain Schools is larger than any other and is the acknowledged standard in adaptability. Its Enlistment work is rapidly bringing a more adequate standard of spiritual instruction and effectiveness in hundreds of churches. Its Church Extension work has grown from infancy to lusty strength in a period of only a few years."

These paragraphs show us the nature of the work, and some of the achievements of our Home Board. It has set for itself a truly great task, and has shown great power in grappling with the problems that confront us now. In all of its departments it has shown great effectiveness; and these departments have been arranged with faith and keen vision to cover the whole scope of the needs of our Southland in building up the Kingdom.

We most heartily commend this Board to our people, and recommend that they remember it constantly in their prayers, and that they sustain it largely with their gifts to the 75 Million Campaign.

We commend to our people the admirable literature produced by this Board. It has produced some of the finest literature on present-day religious problems in the South. It will furnish free on request a splendid assortment of tracts about its work and its need.

The Corresponding Secretary of this Board is Dr. B. D. Gray, Healy Building, Atlanta, Ga. For tracts, books, and information, write to the Publicity Department, Baptist Home Mission Board, Healy Building, Atlanta, Ga.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The necessity for carrying the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth has never been more imperative than it is today. The great war has left the world in a state of unrest and turmoil. Strikes, Bolshevism and problems of international relationship loom high on the horizon. Men are seeking a solution to the present world situation. The answer is found in Jesus Christ and Him crucified. Jesus committed the task of carrying His Gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth to His followers. Baptists have a large share in the program which the Master outlined for the salvation of the world.

In attempting to carry out the program of Jesus Southern Baptists are carrying on work in China, Japan, Africa, Italy, Brazil, Argentina, Chili, and Mexico. On these fields there are 542 churches with 56,023 members, 554 schools with 18,514 students, 16 hospital buildings having 80,711 patients. Last year 6,512 were baptized and the natives contributed $216,125.91. In carrying out this work Southern Baptists are supporting 341 foreign missionaries, 949 native workers and contributed last year $2,119,476.91.

Great stimulus was given to the cause of Foreign Missions last year in the 75 Million Campaign. Our people were better informed concerning the conditions on the field and therefore gave more liberally than ever before. The Twenty Million allotted to Foreign Missions for the next five years will mean much for the advancement of the Kingdom, but greater things still should be done on the Foreign field. The door of opportunity is wide open in all our fields. It is time for a great advance. Southern Baptists should make a program that is really adequate to meet the great needs on the Foreign field.

AFTERNOON SESSION—WEDNESDAY

After a song and prayer, Bro. W. T. Bradley presented the report on the State of the Churches. It was discussed by himself, and at his request Bro. J. W. Vesey led in a special prayer for God's blessing upon the work, emphasizing evangelism.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

Your committee in making this report desires to turn to the report made in the year 1910 and make a comparative statement of the work of that year with the work of 1920.

The report of 1910 shows the following:

State Missions	$ 815.62
Home Missions	475.25

Foreign Missions	823.42
Pastors' Salaries	6,540.21
Other objects	8,214.87
Total of all objects by the Churches	$16,869.37
Paid by Sunday Schools	3,442.06
Paid by Women's Mission Societies (Sunbeams and B. Y. P. U'S	2,589.99
Grand total	$22,901.42

During the year 1910 there were received by baptism 233. We had then a total membership of 3,894.

The report of 1920 shows the following:

Orphanage	$ 4,000.00
Pastors' salaries	21,690.11
Paid by Women's Mission Societies	10,062.76
Grand total to all objects of the Association	106,300.00

During the year 1920 there were received by baptism 256.

We now have a total membership of 5,379.

All of our churches, so far as your committee knows, went "over the top" in the Seventy-five Million Campaign.

The reports from the churches covering the work of the past year shows that we have gone forward financially in leaps and bounds, and while we have made progress numerically and spiritually during the past year over previous years, we have not kept pace with the progress made financially.

Your committee wishes to make the following recommendations:

1. That every church in the Association have at least one series of revival meetings a year.

2. That every church secure a pastor for at least half his time. In order to do this it will be necessary to organize and maintain a weekly prayer meeting, and especially pray for the Lord of the Harvest to send laborers into the harvest. For the harvest is plenteous, and the laborers are few.

Report of the Nominating Committee was then heard which recommended as follows: For the Executive Board we propose the names of E. E. Wheeler, Asheville, N. C.; G. D. Carter, Asheville, N. C., and A. W. Rymer, Asheville, Route 5. As messenger to the Southern Baptist Convention, Rev. J. E. Dupree, of Candler. As messenger to the State Convention, J. M. Justice, of Black Mountain. As member of the State Mission Board, Dr. A. E. Brown.

The recommendations of the committee were adopted.

The report on hospitality was read and adopted.

HOSPITALITY.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be extended the pastor and the members of the Baptist Church of Black Mountain and the people of this community for their hospitality to all attending the Thirty-ninth session of the Buncombe County Baptist Association.

The report on enlistment work was read and discussed

by Rev. J. J. Gentry, our enlistment worker. It was adopted, and follows:

REPORT OF J. J. GENTRY, ENLISTMENT WORKER, TO EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

This report is up to August 1st, 1920, and includes the work of June and July of 1919 as this was not reported last year to the association.

A copy of the report that was made to the Executive Board in the beginning of this year is appended.

I also append an epitome of the work done, or rather I should say a partial report of the work that I have attempted to do, as some of the most important work cannot be reported at all.

While I am working under the direction of the Buncombe County Association, I have been informed by both Dr. Jamison and Dr. Johnson that I am to render such service as I can to the other Associations contiguous to Buncombe County. I have understood that this was satisfactory to the Executive Board of the Buncombe County Association and have worked some in the West Buncombe, New Found and French Broad Associations. I think that it is satisfactory to this Committee and will be agreeable to both the Home and State Boards.

I do not think it wise to ask the three other Associations to make any attempt to raise any part of the salary of the Enlistment worker, neither will it be wise to have the worker to make reports to these Boards or to be under their direction. If I continue in the work I shall be glad to help all I can in these Associations, but to continue to make the reports as formerly, provided of course it is agreeable to this Committee.

In addition to what is shown I might state that I have spoken in thirty-four of the churches in the Buncombe County Association, five in the West Buncombe, four in the New Found and four in the French Broad Association and in many of these churches I have spoken several times, having made in all in these four Associations 211 sermons and addresses, 196 services, distributed 51,000 tracts, wrote 1,745 letters, held 52 conferences, had 20 professions, attended three Associations, assisted in increasing four Pastor's salaries, graded four Sunday Schools and assisted in making nine every member canvasses.

I have received a hearty welcome in every church that I have visited and have every reason to believe that the same welcome awaits me in the other churches of the Associations.

In looking back over the year's work I am not satisfied with the work done, especially since January 1st as the flu practically stopped all work for six weeks and I was laid up with rheumatism and with abscessed teeth for one month. As I view it the work that I am attempting cannot be done rapidly but will be a matter of slow growth and development. I believe the churches are coming to a clearer vision of their mission and will continue to make steady progress if the enlistment work is continued.

A Sunday School Convention for Buncombe County without regard to Associational lines has been organized and we hope for great things through its work.

It will take strenuous work in the four Associations to collect the pledges of the 75 Million Campaign and the Fall campaign as recommended by the Conservation Committee, must be pushed vigorously, if the amounts pledged are collected.

Bro. Benj. Sorgee read the report on recommendations

regarding the continuance of the Enlistment Work. It was adopted and follows:

RECOMMENDATIONS ON ENLISTMENT WORK

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENLISTMENT WORKER'S REPORT.

Your committee appointed to report on the report of our Enlistment worker desire to submit the following:

We have given careful consideration to the report and note that a truly large amount of work has been done. This work, too, has been very effective. In the work of the 75 Million Campaign Brother Gentry's efforts were notably successful. A large amount of development work has also been done.

In view of the successful achievements of our enlistment worker during the past year, and of the outstanding fact that there remains much of this work to be done yet, we, therefore, recommend that this work be continued for another year.

C. D. Goldsmith read the report for the Apportionment Committee. It was adopted as read and follows:

APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE

Your Apportionment Committee reports as follows: That the Churches already apportioned on the 75 Million Campaign remain the same as apportioned, and that Chunn's Cove and Pole Creek Churches, admitted at this session, be apportioned as seen in apportionment table.

It was moved by J. J. Gentry that the appointment of the Laymen's Committee be left to the selection of the Executive Board. Motion carried.

A collection of of $14.10 was taken to help defray the expenses of printing the minutes.

It was moved and carried that the expenses of our representative to the State Mission Board's meeting be referred to the Executive Board.

Moved and carried that the reading of the various church letters to the Association be omitted in the future, and that a committee be appointed consisting of the Clerk and the Treasurer to buy a suitable blackboard upon which a digest of said letter shall be given each year to the body.

It was further voted that the letters be prepared and sent to the Clerk a week in advance in order to present the digest as soon as the Association meets.

Moved and carried that the Executive Board do what

it can in the way of a suggestion to the various churches composing this Association to get the names of the churches printed upon suitable boards and erected in plain view of the public.

Moved that the clerk print 700 copies of the minutes and that he have $25 for his services.

The committee on time and place made the following report which was adopted:

ON TIME AND PLACE FOR 1921.

TIME AND PLACE.

Your committee on time and place beg leave to report as follows: Place of next meeting, Morgan Hill. Time, second Tuesday in August, 1921. Preacher of annual sermon, Rev. W. H. Fitzgerald; Rev. Wayne Williams, alternate.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I—Name.

This Association shall be known as Buncombe County Baptist Association.

The objects of this Association shall be:

ARTICLE II—Objects.

1. To elicit, combine and direct the energies of the Baptist of Buncombe County in one sacred effort to encourage and promote the propagation of the Gospel within our bounds.

2. To foster and promote, under the auspices of the Baptist State Convention, the cause of State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Christian Education, Orphanage, Sunday School and Colportage, Old Ministers' Relief and Temperance.

3. This Association disclaims to exercise lordship over the churches or to have any power which entitles it to infringe upon the internal rights of any of the churches composing it.

ARTICLE III—Constituency.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of representatives chosen and sent by each Baptist Church in Buncombe County who shall be duly recommended by let-

ter from the Church to which they belong, provided, however, that any Church whose house of worship is so situated as to make it more convenient from natural causes to belong to this body shall be entitled to membership and representation in this Association.

Section 2. Each Church shall be entitled to send her pastor and at least two delegates, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members exceeding twenty-five.

Section 3. Name of no delegates shall appear in the Minutes of this Association who shall absent himself from the body without being excused by the Association, until its final adjournment.

Article IV.—Officers.

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian.

Section 2. All the officers shall be elected annually and immediately after the reading of the church letters and the enrollment of the delegates. The Moderator shall be elected by ballot, the other officers in any way the Association may direct.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at all meetings of the body, and keep order in accordance with Mell's Manual of Parliamentary practice.

It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to preside in the absence of the Moderator.

It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of this body in a business-like manner, to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes of the Association, and to turn them over to his successor.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds belonging to the Association, and to pay them out to the objects for which they were collected.

It shall be the duty of the Historian to keep a record of such items as would be of interest to a future Historian, to preserve the same in a book. He shall also keep a file of the Minutes.

ARTICLE V—Committees.

At each annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint the following committees, whose duty it shall be to report at the next annual meeting: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, State of the Churches, Orphanage, Sunday Schools, Temperance, Woman's Work, Order of Business, Time and Place and Annual Sermon for the next Association, and such other committees as the Association may direct.

ARTICLE VI—Executive Board.

The Association shall at each annual meeting appoint an Executive Board to consist of the officers of the Association and three judicious and active brethren; three of whom shall constitute a quorum. All pastors shall be associate members of the Board.

The Executive Board shall superintend the mission work in the county, and carry out the resolutions and orders of the Association during its recess.

ARTICLE VII—Church Letters.

The letters from the churches shall give the following information: Name of church and date of organization; names of members delegated to the Association; time of meeting; name of pastor, clerk and ordained ministers in its membership and their postoffices; number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded, number of deaths during the year; time of meeting, amount paid for pastor's salary, incidental expenses, State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Orphanage, Sunday School, and for any other objects.

Report of Sunday School will show the name of the Superintendent and Secretary with their postoffice, number enrolled, average attendance during the year, amount paid for the support of the Sunday School and for benevolent objects.

ATICLE VIII.

The body shall be governed by the rules laid down in Mell's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

ARTICLE IX.

This body shall meet annually according to adjournment.

ARTICLE X.

Whenever the minutes of any meeting of this Association are printed, a copy of this Constitution shall be printed with them.

ARTICLE XI.

This Association may carry on a friendly correspondence with similar bodies by appointing and receiving corresponding messengers, and may extend such other courtesies to visiting brethren as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE XII.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-third vote at any regular meeting.

APPORTIONMENT OF BUNCOMBE COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE SEVEN MILLION DOLLAR CAMPAIGN

CHURCH	Full Apportionment	Amount Per Year for Five Years	Asso. Missions
Asheville First	$110000	$22000	$300 00
Asheville, French Broad	17500	3820	60 00
Asheville, West End	5000	1000	40 00
Asheville, Calvary	15000	3000	60 00
Asheville, North	5000	1000	20 00
Avery's Creek	750	150	2 50
Antioch	2500	2500	20 00
Berea	600	120	5 00
Bent Creek	250	50	2 50
Big Ivy	2500	500	20 00
Biltmore	10000	2000	25 00
Black Mountain	3000	600	25 00
Black Mountain, North	250	50	2 50
Browns Chapel	250	50	2 50
Beaverdam	6000	1200	40 00
Chestnut Grove	500	100	2 50
Chunn's Cove	250	50	2 50
Craggy	250	50	2 50
Elk Mountain	500	100	2 50
Emley Grove	500	100	2 50
Fairview	5000	1000	25 00
Flat Creek	1250	250	10 00
Gash's Creek	1250	250	10 00
Hominy	1625	325	10 00
Inanda	500	100	5 00
Jupiter	1500	300	5 00
Liberty	1000	200	5 00
Mt. Carmel	2500	500	20 00
Macedonia	600	120	5 00
Morgan Hill	1250	250	15 00
Mt. Olivet	250	50	5 00
Pleasant Hill	250	50	2 50
New Bridge	2500	500	15 00
New Morgan Hill	750	150	5 00
Mountain View	250	50	2 50
Pole Creek	250	50	2 50
Reed's Chapel	250	50	5 00
Ridgecrest	5000	1000	10 00
Ridgeway	1375	275	10 00
Riverside	500	100	5 00
Spring Mountain	250	50	2 50
Swannanoa	500	100	5 00
White Rock	1000	200	5 00
Wilkie	250	50	2 50
	$210200	$42040	$822 50

NOTICE—All funds for Associational Missions should be sent to G. G. Morgan, Treasurer of Association, 33 Patton Ave., Asheville, N. C.

Collections for the Orphanage should be sent to F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville, N. C.

All other funds raised in the 75 Million Campaign should be sent to Walter Walters Durham, Treasurer, Raleigh, N. C., and should be sent monthly.

TABLE I---STATISTICAL

CHURCH	PASTOR	POSTOFFICE	CLERK	POSTOFFICE	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	GAIN	
							By Batism	By Letter
Asheville, First	Dr. W. F. Powell	Asheville	J. A. Egerton	Asheville	Every	$100,000	54	82
Asheville, Calvary	J. B. Grice	West Asheville	M. W. Hamrick	Asheville	Every	9,000	16	42
Asheville, Fr. Broad	J. W. Vesey	Asheville	J. A. Groves	Asheville	Every	60,000	5	8
Asheville, North	Benj. Sorgee	Asheville	W. W. Turner	Asheville	Every	10,000	6	20
Asheville, Riverside	W. R. Moss	Asheville, R. 4	J. M. Haynes	Asheville	1st	6,000	1	3
Asheville, West End	W. W. Williams	Asheville	J. B. Anders	Asheville	Every	10,000	6	3
Ashevilel, Biltmore	S. T. Hensley	Biltmore	W. B. Frady	Biltmore	Every	12,000	11	21
Antioch	N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	Miss Ora Burlison	Democrat	Every	4,000	24	1
Avery's Creek	Chas. F. Owen	Waynesville	S. O. Ingram	Arden	4th	400		
Beaverdam	W. H. Fitzgerald	Asheville, R. 1	E. P. Stradley	Asheville, R. 1	Every	3,500		
Bent Creek	G. R. Redmond	Biltmore	Edna Hayes					
Berea	C. A. Miller	Black Mountain	J. Cordell	Swannanoa, R. 1	2 & 3	1,800	5	
Big Ivy	N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	Gay Whitaker	Barardsville	Every	8,000	2	2
Black Mountain	J. M. Justice	Black Mountain	Joseph Kinsey	Black Mountain	Every	7,000	22	34
Black Mt., North	N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	Ellis Burlison	Rock View		1,500		
Browns Chapel	W. T. Bradly	Stocksville	S. A. Bradley	Beech	2nd	1,200		
Chestnut Grove	W. L. Edwards	Democrat	C. C. Ledford	Dillingham	1st	1,000		1
Craggy	W. B. Sprinkle	Leicester	Frankie Hawkins	Asheville	2nd	1.000	6	
Elk Mountain	W. B. Sprinkle	Asheville, R. 4	M. E. Jones	Asheville, R. 5	1 & 3	2,000	12	8
Emma's Grove	A. O. Vaughn	Hendersonville	W. D. Galyon	Fletcher, R.	1 & 3	1,000		4
Fair View	C. S. Blackburn	Fair View	P. O. Murrell	Fair View	Every	10,000		11
Flat Creek	W. T. Bradley	Stocksville	M. B. Spivey	Stocksville	1 & 3	2,500	9	
Gash's Creek	E. J. Ingle	West Asheville	W. J. Goldsmith	Azalea	2 & 4	6,000		3
Hominy	J. E. Dupree	Candler	Levi S. Clark	Candler	1st	4,000		9
Inanda	G. R. Redmond	Biltmore, R. 2	T. H. Byers	Candler, R. 2	Every	2,000	4	1
Jupiter	J. C. Pipes	Mars Hill	M. L. Sprinkle	Weaverville	2 & 4	2,000		2
Liberty	J. E Dupree	Candler	L. W. Young	Candler	3rd	3,000	1	2
Macedonia	L. C. Roberts	Marshall, R. 2	Hugh Rymer	Alexander	2nd	600	2	
Morgan Hill	N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	W. J. Beachboard	Stocksville	1 & 3	9,000	27	4
Mt. View	C. A. Miller	Black Mountain	J. S. Burnett	Black Mountain	1 & 4	2,000		
Mt. Carmel			L. D. Brookshire	Asheville, R. 4	2 & 4	1,000	1	2
Mt. Olive	J. C. Bennett	Asheville, R. 2	Geo Stewart	Asheville, R. 2	Every	1,000	14	
New Bridge	W. H. Fitzgerald	Asheville, R 1	M. A. Lominac	Asheville, R. 5	Every	10,000	8	14
New Morgan Hill			S. L. Morgan	Candler	1 & 3	1,500		
Pleasant Hill	W. R Moss	Asheville, R. 4	G. A. McCone	Weaverville	2 & 4	1,000	1	4
Pole Creek	W. T. McFalls	Candler	J. M. Morris	Candler	2nd	3,000		3
Reed's Chapel			A. T. Davidson	Biltmore		1,500	5	2
Ridgeway	J. E. Dupree	Candler, R. 3	J. V. Morgan	Candler, R. 3	2nd	3,000	19	
Ridgecrest	J. M. Justice	Black Mountain	W. V. Powell	Ridgecrest	1 & 3			9
Swannanoa	C. A. Miller	Black Mountain	L. B. Buchanan	Swannanoa	2 & 4	1,200	7	6
White Rock	J. E. Dupree	Candler	Collier Morgan	Candler	4th	3,000		
Wilkey	S. F. Moore	Fair Veiw	Daisy M. Garrison	Black Mountain	1 & 3		1	1
Spring Mountain			J. B. Guffey	Fair View	1st	700		
Chunn's Cove	J. C. Bennett	Asheville, R 2	Miss Hildebrand	Asheville, B. 599	Every	2.500	5	28
						$309,900	268	330

TABLE II--FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	75 Million (Undesignated)	State and Associational Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday School
ville, First	$ 5,000.00	$ 1,000.00	$4,000.00	$ 570.16	$ 341.15	$ 25 00	$11,?66.87	$ 6,708.24	$ 641.64	$6,560.40	$2,051.35	$ 5
ville, Calvary	1,985.00	19 15	346.76	271.24	102.30	18.00	50.00	1,269.03	60.00			
ville, French Broad	1,560.00	713.20	1,181.21	147.29	178.99	10.00	802.16	873 40	79.30	25.00	306.20	2
ville, North	916.60	122.51	247.08	96.17	12.00	3 00	263.83	728 95	76.90		36.87	
ville, Riverside	60.00	5,532.50	132.40	46.27		1.00		15.00		46.00	6.14	
ville, West End	957.50	191.82	435 11	161.14			200.00	595.08				
more	1,800.00	806.48	378.33	207.85	21.00	5.00	84.00	651 32	98.00			
och	600.00	1,100.00		15.20				743.90				
ry's Creek	150.00	30 00	21.00					63.00				
verdam	603.00		13.25	45.06		5.00	49.00	506.66	70.90			
t Creek	*							5.00				
ea	158.60		7.50	15.55		2.00		80.70	8.50	19.50	12.00	
Ivy	600.00	5,000.00	100 00	38.00	175.00	5.00		500.00				
k Mountain	968.49	254.80	71.15	68.39	5.00	5.00	288 65	590.02	25.00			
k Mountain, North	*											
wn's Chapel	100.00	247.00	30.00	34.00		1 30	15.00	71.00				
stnut Grove				16.00		2.50						
ggy	*											
Mountain	500.00	3.00	45.00	63.13	75.00		54.00	150.00	10.00	25.00	25.00	
ma's Grove	155.00			50 00		1.00		16.00				
r View	1,000.00	100.00	85.00	86.81	20.00	2.00	39.44	289.40			41.68	
t Creek	160.00	15.00	21.03	13.25	107.47	2 50	9.00	299 61	17.20			
h's Creek	173.00		166.04	34.61	24.85	3.25	150.00	209.55	10.00			
miny	300.00		157.20	26 10	8.05	2.00		261.77	8.65			
nda	75.00	200.00		36.36	5 00	3.00				3.50	3.00	
piter	200.00		37.00	16.00		2.50	75.70	213.70	1.50	16.50	3 70	
perty	197.00	165 00	42.70	78.24		1.05		88.28				
cedonia	100.25			5.00		2.75		51.00				
rgan Hill	400.00	7,000.00	50.00	15.00	10.00	2.00			5.00	5.00	5.00	
. View	100.00	100.00		4 90		1.50				3.70		
. Carmel	432.00			84.25		2.40	63.75	288 17				
. Olive	977.49	165.55		20.45	63.25	1.25		31.75				
w Bridge	407.68	145.01	101 39	57.99	25.00	5.00	230.20	342.08				
w Morgan Hill								69.00				
easant Hill	50.00	100.00		10.00		1.00						
le Creek	27.00	23.00										
ed's Chapel	215.00		25.00	30.07		1 00		75.00				
dgeway	191.75	33.55	9.45	71.24		3.40	86.16		43.20	70.00	72.50	
dgecrest	200.00	50.00	110.25	34.00	357 30	1.50	25.90	772 34				
vannanoa	140.00			30.59			2.00	140.45				
hite Rock	200.00		52.10	21.53	16.75	1.35		215.35				
ilkie	50.00		40 00	3.00	8.75	1.50		12.37	1.00			
pring Mountain								9.95				
unn's Cove	111.00	14.40		38.04	13.15	2.00						
Totals	$21,821.36	$23,131.97	$7,906.05	$2,554.88	$1,570.01	$ 126.75	$13,755.66	$16,937.07	$1,156.79	$6,774.60	$2,563.44	$

* No report.

TABLE III--SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	SUPERINTENDENT	POSTOFFICE	SECRETARY	POSTOFFICE	Number of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in Sunday School	Months Kept Open	Baptisms from School
Asheville, First	C. S. Davis	Asheville	Lee Ownby	Asheville	1	44	700	744		11	41
Asheville, Calvary	M. W Hamrick	Asheville	Bynum Jackson	West Asheville	1	19	275	294	150	12	16
Asheville, Fr. Broad	G. D. Carter	West Asheville	J. W. Vesey	Asheville	1	19	215	234	125	12	6
Asheville, North	H. C. Dean	Asheville	Ralph Corn	Asheville	1	16	128	144	35	12	2
Asheville, Riverside	J. R. Watkins	Asheville, R. 4	Grace Watkins, R. 4	Asheville	1	9	125	134	40	*	*
Asheville, West End	Burgin Pennell	Asheville	Juanita Hays	Asheville	1	14	140	154	90	12	6
Asheville, Biltmore	S. N. Davis	Biltmore	F. C. Lockman	Biltmore	1	12	175	187	175	12	10
Antioch	T. J. Carter	Democrat	Ella Goldsmith	Democrat	1	6	124	180	53	12	13
Avery's Creek	No report.	Union S. School			1						
Beaverdam	Charles Carter	Asheville, R. 1	Grace Kuykendall	Asheville, R 1	1	9	74	83	30	12	
Bent Creek	No report										
Berea	J. Cordell	Swannanoa, R. 1	Ethel Shope	Swannanoa, R. 1	1	9	50	59	28	12	5
Big Ivey	Z. V. Foister	Barnardsville	Clara Phillips	Barnardsville	1	7	113	120	65	12	
Black Mountain	Jos. Kinsey	Black Mountain	Gales Hudgins	Black Mountain	1	11	159	170	75	12	3
Black Mtn., North	No report.										
Brown's Chapel	Curtis Lunsford	Beech	Sue Maney	Beech	1	11	48	59	18	12	
Chestnut Grove	Rev. B. B. Riddle	Dillingham	Bessie Hensley	Dillingham	1	5	55	60	15	12	
Craggy	No report.										
Chunn's Cove	M. M. Hays	Asheville	Grace Curtis	Asheville, R. 2							
Elk Mountain	J. G. McElrath	Asheville	C. B. Jones	Asheville, R. 5	1	8	137	145	40	10	
Emma's Grove	Thad Merrell	Fletcher	M. D. Galyon	Fletcher	1	6	60	66		12	
Fair View	J. R Grant	Fair View	J. J. McAbee	Fair View	1	11	96	108		12	
Flat Creek	J. E. Chandler	Weaverville	Gusta Chandler	Weaverville	1	10	55	65	38	12	
Gash's Creek	W. J. Goldsmith	Azalea	T R. Reed	Biltmore, Box 446	1	7	67	74	29	12	
Hominy	J. G. Robeson	Candler	Mattie Brooks	Candler	1	10	68	78	35	12	
Inanda	Thos. Case	Candler, R. 2	E. M. Levi	Candler, R. 2	1	6	50	56	15	12	
Jupiter	W. W. Crowder	Alexander	Lucile Roberts	Alexander	1	7	59	67	38	12	
Liberty	W. W. Green	Candler	L. C. Holcom	Candler	1	9	75	84	15	12	
Macedonia	Hugh Rymer	Alexander	Maria Rymer	Alexander	1	9	60	78	25	12	
Morgan Hill	J S. Ball	Stocksville	May Jones	Stocksville	1	6	75	81	60	12	2
Mt. View	C. W. Riddle	Black Mountain	Grace Walker	Black Mountain	1	6	50	56	15	8	
Mt. Carmel	R. G. Anders	Asheville, R. 4	Ruth Brookshire	Asheville, R. 4	1	8	100	108	75	12	
Mt. Olive	A. A. Stewart	Asheville, R. 2	Lucy Bennett	Asheville, R. 2	1	6	50	56	30	12	1
New Bridge	M. A. Lominac	Asheville, R. 5	J. M. McEwen	Asheville	1	11	135	146	40	12	
New Morgan Hill	No report.										
Pleasant Hill	T. E. Silver	Asheville, R 5	Hall Taylor	Asheville, R. 5	1	6	30	36		6	
Pole Creek	No report.										
Reed's Chapel	H R. Young	Biltmore	C. L. Wolfe	Biltmore	1	7	131	138	16	12	
Ridgeway	O. H. Winchester	Candler, R. 3	R. E. Morgan	Candler, R. 3	1	9	100	109	43	12	1
Ridgecrest	W. V. Powell	Ridgecrest	Mrs. W. V Powell	Ridgecrest	1	5	70	75	25	12	
Swannanoa	L. B. Buchanan	Swannanoa	Ray Mann	Swannanoa	1	8	88	96	30	12	
White Rock	M. M. Morgan	Candler	Maud Peebler	Candler	1	10	60	70	45	12	
Wilkie	W. A. B. Garrison	Black Mountain	Daisy M. Garrison	Black Mountain	1	6	50	56	8		
Spring Mountain	No Report				1	8	60	68	27	12	
					38	370	4107	4488	1548		18

TABLE IV---WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCH	NAME OF ORGANIZATION	PRESIDENT	POST-OFFICE	Number of Members	75 Million [Undesignated]	Missions	Christian Education	Orphanage	Training School	Other Objects
Antioch	W. M. S.	Mrs. Mattie Hensley	Democrat	15	$ 66 25	$ 66 95	$ 5 00	$ 3 50	$	$
Asheville First	W. M. S.	Mrs. L. E. Perry	Asheville	225	1105 10	2848 63		395 09	378 71	40 0
Beaverdam	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. E. Carter	Asheville R. 1	17	213 10	50 00	6 20	68 00	5 00	2 0
Berea	W. M. S.	Mrs. Jennie Cordell	Swannanoa	16	14 00	17 00		5 75		
Biltmore	W. M. S.	Mrs. W. B. Frady	Biltmore	18	183 84	23 00	15 00	14 75		3 6
Brown's Chapel	W. M. S.	Mrs. W. T. Bradley	Beech	10						
Big Ivy	W. M. S.	Mrs. N. B. Phillips	Barnardsville	10	31 09					6
Bethel	W. M. S.	Mrs. M. O. Duncan	Asheville R. 4.	8						
Calvary	W. M. S.	Mrs. B. B. Jones	West Asheville	55	294 38	223 15	53 40	100 00	10 00	11 8
Chestnut Grove	W. M. S.	Mrs. Stella Ledford	Dillingham	10	25 00	25 00				2 0
Fairview	W. M. S.	Mrs. P. O. Freeman	Fairview	10	98 75	5 50		2 50		
French Broad Ave.	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. A. Klutz	Asheville	52	114 55	399 95	13 00	88 50		566 2
Flat Creek	W. M. S.	Miss Sally Robinson	Weaverville R. F. D.	12	86 95	10 65	20 00	2 05	2 20	1 1
Gash's Creek	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. A. Wilkerson	Biltmore	12						
Hominy	W. M. S.	Mrs. E. L. Clark	Candler	10	123 00					
Jupiter	W. M. S.	Mrs. L. L. Roberts	Weaverville R.	9		21 70	60 00	25 00		
Macedonia	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. M. Redmon	Alexander R.	12	29 76	75		20 00		1 0
New Bridge	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. R. Baird	Asheville	12	90 90	7 50			3 00	138 8
North Asheville	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. H. Moseley	Asheville	25	372 15	36 87				5 0
New Found	W. M. S.	Mrs. C. B. Hayes	Leicester	10		10 70		2 35		1 0
North Black Mountain	W. M. S.	Mrs. Julia Burleson	Rock View	8						
Ridgecrest	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. H. Dew	Ridgecrest	12	275 59	27 45				2 0
Riverside	W. M. S.	Miss Alice Hough	Asheville	12	54 21					46 0
Ridgeway	W. M. S.	Mrs. R. E. Morgan	Candler	18		116 75	10 00	27 10		
S. Black Mountain	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. P. Parker	Black Mt.	22	291 00	2 75		21 00		1 0
Swannanoa	W. M. S.	Mrs. L. B. Buchanan	Swannanoa	22	46 50					1 0
Turkey Creek	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. E. Martin	Leicester	8						
West End	W. M. S.	Mrs. E. G. Hamilton	Asheville	10	51 20					
Weaverville	W. M. S.	Mrs. G. V. Whitton	Weaverville	17	14 80					3 4
Wilkey	W. M. S.	Miss Daisy Garrison	Black Mt.	6						
Asheville First	Y. W. A.				1 60	17 85		55	5 65	
Antioch	Y. W. A.	Miss Annie Gentry	Democrat	15	3 40					
Calvary	Y. W. A.	Miss Eleanor Cherry	W. Asheville	14		5 00	16 70	2 50		
French B. Ave.	Y. W. A.	Miss Lorine Beck	Asheville	12	100 91	29 90		1 00		29 0
Fairview	Y. W. A.	Miss Beatrice McCracken	Fairview	9	34 92					
S. Black Mt.	Y. W. A.	Mrs. J J. Cook	Black Mt.	8						
Asheville First	G. A.	Miss Katherine Perkinson	Asheville	12						
Calvalry	G. A.			8	3 77	6 25			1 00	
French Broad Ave.	G. A.	Miss Pauline Waddell	Asheville	12	12 78	8 30	3 05	2 45		
Newbridge	G. A.	Miss Ruth Baird	Asheville	10						
S Black Mt.	G. A.	Mrs. I. J. Cook	Black Mt.	5	5 30					
Asheville First	R. Amb.				29 77	13 38	17 26			
Calvary	R. Amb.			20	27 21					
Newbridge	R. Amb.	Harry Ramsey	Asheville	6						
S. Black Mt.	R. Amb.	Mrs. J. M. Justice	Black Mt.	9	6 17					
Asheville First	Sunbeams	Mrs. T. L. Bramlett	Asheville	60		91 06	18 52	49 72		
Antioch	Sunbeams	Miss Mattie Garrison	Democrat	26	55					
Beaverdam	Sunbeams	Mrs. W. R. Oates	Asheville R. 1	20						
Biltmore	Sunbeams	Mrs. S. P. Hensley	Biltmore	19						
Calvary	Sunbeams	Mrs. G. G. Morgan	W. Asheville	25		5 56		93		
Fairview	Sunbeams	Mrs. J. L. Asheworth	Fairview	10	7 01	1 61				
French Broad Ave.	Sunbeams	Miss Vidie Welfley	Asheville	28	8 61	0 76				
New Bridge	Sunbeams	Mrs. J. R. Baird	Asheville	35	22 21			14 00		
S. Black Mt.	Sunbeams	Mrs. J. M. Justice	Black Mt.	10	17 25					
West End	Sunbeams	Miss Martha Golay	Asheville	22	8 67					
Riverside Jr. R.	Sunbeams				20 22					
West End	R. Amb.	Mrs. C. E. Groves	Asheville					5 00		
			Totals	10 78	3892 47	$4093 77	$238 13	$851 74	$405 56	$855 5